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PEKING CLASH.

GUARD FIRES ON STUDENT DEMONSTRATORS.

120 CASUALTIES.

Peking, March 19.
The casualties in the demonstration which took place outside the Cabinet Office are now reported to be 50 killed and 70 injured.—Reuter.

Peking, March 19.
A mandate has been issued ordering the arrest of five alleged Communist leaders and it asserts that they led the student demonstrators yesterday and have otherwise made use of the Communist doctrine to disturb the peace and have engaged in widespread intrigues calculated to unbalance the masses.—Reuter.

BAYONETS AND VOLLEYS.

Shanghai, March 20.
With reference to the shootings in Peking yesterday, delayed telegrams from the capital state that a group of students visited the Foreign Office on Wednesday evening, presenting an uncompromising reply to the Taku incident, which they wanted the Government to adopt. Yesterday morning, nearly a thousand students paraded the streets and finally reached the Cabinet office in the afternoon, where they intended to demand the dismissal of those responsible for the official reply, a forecast of which the vernacular morning papers had published.

To prevent the entry of the students, who attempted to force their way in, the guard used bayonets and finally fired at point blank range.

Eye-witnesses state that three or four volleys were fired, which the crowd scattered in all directions, the soldiers continuing to shoot as the students fled. It appears that there had been a certain amount of bad blood between the students and the bodyguard owing to a clash on Wednesday evening.

High indignation prevails among the students against whom the Government is said to contemplate further drastic measures, including the arrest of a well-known known quartet who are regarded as ringleaders of Communist agitation. It is thought that this will be a prelude to wholesale arrests of suspected Communist agitators.—Reuter.

DENIAL OF BOLSHEVISM.

Peking, March 19.
The total casualties are now estimated at 120, including two girls and a woman.

The Chief Executive called an emergency meeting of the Cabinet, following the shooting, at which he said the Communist movement seriously affected the prestige of China, the Government of which was charged with being Bolshevik, which it was not. He added that strong measures were necessary to suppress the Communist movement.—Reuter.

SAFE FLYING.

COBHAM SAYS "MOTORING MORE DANGEROUS."

Rugby, March 19.
Speaking at luncheon given in his honour, Mr. Alan Cobham said that we had gone so far in aviation to-day, that it was quite possible for designers and air transport firms to make flying quite as safe as any other form of transport. But propaganda was absolutely necessary as regarded aviation. So long as an aviator was looked upon as a brave man, aviation would never succeed. He thought that motorizing in the streets of London was more dangerous.—British Wireless.

NEW TERRITORY ROBBER RAID.

DARING ATTACK ON VILLAGE.

BOYS KIDNAPPED.

Two daring armed robberies were carried out in the village of Man Uh Pin, Shatukok district, when the bandits, after robbing their victims kidnapped two boys.

According to a report made by Ching Tung-kwong, he was asleep in his house, with his wife and family, when three men forcibly entered the house by breaking open the front door. One of the men was armed with a revolver, and another had a dagger. After gagging and binding the occupants, the intruders thoroughly ransacked the place, and stole clothing, money and jewellery to the value of \$688. When they left, they took with them a nine-year-old son.

Apparently at the same time, three other men entered the house, which was near by, of a married son of the former victim. The same process was repeated, and they secured goods to the value of \$100, and, on leaving, took another son with them.

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE.

POLICE OBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL.

An unusual situation developed from a case of embezzlement, which had been remanded from last week, when, at the Central Magistracy this morning, the police authorities pressed for the continuance of the proceedings in face of an application for withdrawal of the charge, by Mr. Pryor, for the prosecution.

It appears that in the interim, following the last remand, the complainant in the case had been satisfied by the return of the money and goods forming the subject of the indictment, and did not wish to proceed with the prosecution. The point had been referred to the Captain Superintendent of Police last week, and when the case again came up before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, Mr. T. H. King opposed the withdrawal and pressed for the continuance of the proceedings. The case was again remanded.

A SUCCESSION RULING.

INDIAN STATE CASE.

Rugby, March 19.
A communiqué issued by the Indian Office states that the Government of India has had under consideration for some time past the desire of the Begum of Bhopal that her only surviving son should be recognised as her heir to the exclusion of the sons of her elder deceased sons. Those representations have necessitated prolonged and exhaustive researches into the history and antecedents, as a result of which Her Highness has now been informed by the Viceroy through the Secretary of State for India, who is in full concurrence with the decision, that the Government of India are prepared to recognise her only surviving son, Nawabza Hoji Muhammed Hamidullah Khan, as heir apparent to the Masnad of Bhopal. It has been explained to Her Highness that the decision is based on certain rulings of the Government of India in a number of analogous cases of succession in Muslim States which occurred during the 19th Century and in the view that, in the absence of any local customs to the contrary, the rule then followed is applicable to the succession in Bhopal in the present circumstances.—British Wireless.

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KEROSENE OIL

CHINESE CONSUMERS PAY MORE

CANTON'S MONOPOLY.

Some pointed and most informative comment in regard to the kerosene monopoly in South China is contained in the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, which is to be issued to members on Monday, and of which an advance proof has been courteously supplied to us by the Chamber's Secretary. The statement says:

A matter of great interest to all importers of foreign goods into China is the action taken by the Canton Government during 1925 in taxing petroleum products, and later declaring a Government monopoly for kerosene, motor spirit and liquid fuel.

When, in April, 1925, the Canton Government imposed tax of 40 cts. s.c. per unit of 10 gallons on kerosene, the British and American Consul Generals in Canton entered strong protests at Canton and Peking, claiming that the tax was contrary to the intention and spirit of various Treaties, and in particular to Article No. 28 of the Treaty of Tientsin, 1858.

As these protests were unsuccessful, each of the three principal distributing Companies decided to withhold supplies of their products to the area in which the Canton Government levied the tax, declining to have their products taxed in this illegal manner.

It is obvious that, if this tax was successfully imposed, though it might begin at 40 cts. s.c., there was no limit to the amount to which it could subsequently be increased. As events have shown, the tax was in fact speedily increased, until at the end of 1925 it stood at s.c. \$4 per unit, which is the figure outside importers now have to pay to the monopoly which has been promulgated.

Furthermore, though the tax was only introduced first in Canton, it was obvious that it would speedily spread to other places, and eventually all over China, being extended, in all probability, to other products besides petroleum. By the end of 1925, the monopoly had been introduced by the Canton Government throughout the Kwangtung Province, and an office for Kwangsi was actually opened at Wu-chow, though it never became really operative.

The result of this action by the Canton Government has been that, in spite of their efforts to import kerosene from Russia to obtain American oils from California, they have been unable to keep Kwangtung supplied with its needs of kerosene, so that following the law of supply and demand prices have been forced up to a prohibitive figure, and the already impoverished people have been mulcted, first by the \$4.00 fee charged by the Government monopoly, and then by the high profits demanded by those who imported with this object. In spite of the fact that kerosene prices in Hongkong remained unchanged throughout the year, the prices current in Canton in December were s.c. \$12.00 per unit against a price in Hongkong of HK. \$4.45.

The action of the Canton Government in imposing, first an illegal tax, and later declaring a monopoly, is one that obviously must come under consideration at the Tariff Conference which opened its sessions in Peking in the late Autumn, and if the Canton Government are to be allowed to maintain this monopoly, it is clear that the consumers of kerosene will have to pay very much more for their requirements in the future, with the result that there must be a very serious diminution in the volume of trade.

STRENGTHENING PICKET SYSTEM.

HOW CANTON'S TRADE IS INJURED.

THE CONSUMER PAYS.

Recent reports show that so much native produce have found its way out from the surrounding districts of Canton, despite the vigilance of the strike pickets, that it is considered necessary to place additional pickets in the region of Chu Mei fort, and at Fa Ti.

Evidence is accumulating that bandits are actively engaged in this trade, as these localities are well-known to be infested with large bands of brigands and merchants fear to come into conflict with the pickets.

The Government is meanwhile trying by every means to get the people to finance the intended Northern campaign, but it is doubtful where the money is to come from if products are prevented from circulating through the legitimate channel of trade. It is said that the people are paying now at least double the price of what they paid previous to the strike and boycott for most commodities, because with extra freight, excessive stevedorage, lighterage, godown charges and losses arising from pilfering by stevedores and lighter coolies, all added to the invoice price, all costs are increased considerably before goods get to the consumer.

Further, it is stated that, in a short time, many steamers will cease to call at Canton owing to heavy losses which vessels are suffering in the course of discharging cargo. So great is the toll of the cargo, that steamers have to pay heavy claims, whilst there is also much loss on demurrage.

LEAGUE PROBLEM.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S ORDEAL.

LONDON, MARCH 19.

"As I fear I am to be executed on Tuesday," said Sir Austen Chamberlain, laughing when approached by an interviewer on reaching Victoria Station from the Continent to-night regarding the abortive Geneva negotiations, I think I would rather wait until I reach Changsha to take over the reins of government. A report is now received which states that a council of all the Generals of the 2nd Army Corps was held at Shiu-kwan under the chairmanship of General Loo Teh-ping, at which it was decided to send an urgent message to General Tan to give the order to advance on Hunan, in view of the fact that since the departure of General Tang Sung-cho for Changsha, various units of the "People's Army" have sprung up, adding extra burdens on the inhabitants in the way of demands and exactions, and, furthermore, banditry in these localities is increasing rapidly. It is stated that it would be advisable for the 2nd Army Corps to take possession of the southern part of Hunan, and restore order and peace. Already a small portion of the 2nd Army Corps has already crossed the boundary, but not in sufficient numbers to advance further inland. Recently great activities have been observed in the movements of the troops all along the Canton-Hankow Railway. Some of the troops of the 2nd Army Corps are proceeding up the Little North River to Lienshan and other places on the frontier, to take the place of the troops of the 3rd Army Corps who have been recalled to fill up vacancies.

LORRY ACCIDENT.

LEARNER COMES TO GRIEF.

At about 8 o'clock this morning, a motor lorry knocked down a Chinese woman near the Bowring Canal, causing severe injuries to her leg.

It was later discovered that the driver only possessed a learner's licence to drive a car and was not entitled to drive a lorry. The proper driver of the lorry was at the time of the mishap sitting beside the learner, and he is to be charged with permitting an unlicensed person to drive the vehicle.—Reuter.

The learner has been detained and will also be charged in due course.

MILITARY PLOTS.

SUSPECTED OFFICERS IN CANTON.

FIFTY ARRESTED.

There are said to be in Canton at present some three hundred unemployed military officers, many of whom are earmarked for deportation because of reports that they have been concerned in plots against the Government. The authorities are said, in this connection, to have discovered one particularly widespread plot, involving over fifty officers who formerly belonged to units from Szechuan, Yunnan, Hunan and Kweichow which unconditionally surrendered in the recent expeditions in the eastern, western and southern districts of the province. All these officers have been placed under arrest and are awaiting deportation to Shanghai.

So acute has the position become in Canton that the police make daily searches of hotels, clubs, shops and private residences, and all persons therein are liable to be searched and placed under police detention with a view to subsequent deportation if they are found to be employed or are unable to produce anyone to attest to their character.

It is said that the primary cause for the delay in despatching the 2nd Army Corps to Hunan in connection with the proposed Northern expedition is anxiety caused as the result of discovering there numerous military plots.

Regarding the Northern expedition, since the flight of Chao Heng-Teh from Hunan, telegram after telegram has been received urging General Tan Yen-kai to come to Changsha to take over the reins of government. A report is now received which states that a council of all the Generals of the 2nd Army Corps was held at Shiu-kwan under the chairmanship of General Loo Teh-ping, at which it was decided to send an urgent message to General Tan to give the order to advance on Hunan, in view of the fact that since the departure of General Tang Sung-cho for Changsha, various units of the "People's Army" have sprung up, adding extra burdens on the inhabitants in the way of demands and exactions, and, furthermore, banditry in these localities is increasing rapidly. It is stated that it would be advisable for the 2nd Army Corps to take possession of the southern part of Hunan, and restore order and peace. Already a small portion of the 2nd Army Corps has already crossed the boundary, but not in sufficient numbers to advance further inland. Recently great activities have been observed in the movements of the troops all along the Canton-Hankow Railway. Some of the troops of the 2nd Army Corps are proceeding up the Little North River to Lienshan and other places on the frontier, to take the place of the troops of the 3rd Army Corps who have been recalled to fill up vacancies.

What about Government giving another four thousand odd dollars to some University professor to invent a device which will immediately detect a reduction in food prices?

We hear a lot about increased taxation in Canton, but we trust that such is not provision for running expenses.

Tourists' slogan during voyage: "Never say dry."

These Labour agitators are always getting into hot water. The Telegraph, reporting a Shanghai riot, says "the crowd melted and disappeared in a cloud of steam from a kettle spout."

"Pressure on Brazil," says a Telegraph headline. They're often pretty hard to crack.

Despite all these letters in the newspapers on religion, we are still convinced that the straight and narrow path is plenty wide enough for the traffic.

While it would seem that some are born with consciences, on the other hand, lots appear to merrily them.

Health Note:—Another good thing for the complexion is to put it to bed before 2 a.m.

TO-DAY.

With the wet weather "days of individual action" for the

Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

"Investiture own risk" wouldn't be a bad slogan for Ice House Street.

Canton cadets are said to be an exclusive corps. Hongkong cadets are, of course, exclusive to the core.

These French Cabinets never become antiques.

A lady advertiser is willing to take home children (any age). Despite all that has been said of late, we still think the coming up-to-date young people are more honest than in mistaking to get rid of their parents for a spell.

Two Prams and one Baby Playground advertised for sale. What about the K.R.A. doing a deal and making itself independent of the Government?

Business is a gamble, which accounts for our compradores playing for high stakes.

These new dances seem to develop everything except disre-

tion. Two Prams and one Baby Playground advertised for sale. What about the K.R.A. doing a deal and making itself independent of the Government?

These censors are all right in their place, but the trouble is that they don't go there until they die.

Did you ever notice how easy it is to do something that isn't done already at Geneva?

You never know. If it hadn't been stolen in Ice House Street this week. We take this early opportunity of repudiating the suggestion that it was a neighbour who held the ladder and watched out for the policeman.

We trust that the gentleman who was going to turn the Peak mist into rain hasn't missed his apparatus in the fog.

Three million people are said to be employed in the motor and allied trades in America. It is uncertain, however, whether this includes the undertakers.

The gentleman who persisted in racing the engine of his car at Repulse Bay the other afternoon, must have had a big one in his bonnet.

Soon it will be said of this Colony that no matter what happens, the people are used to

Repulse Bay Hotel.

CARNIVAL.

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THE FIRE BRIGADE.

FIRES AT PEAK AND
HONGKONG HOTEL.Commission of Enquiry
Suggested.

Some interesting comments on the organisation of the Fire Brigade are contained in the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce which will be issued to members on Monday, and of which we have been favoured with an advance proof.

At the instance of the Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong, the Chamber, on June 8, addressed certain questions to the Government with reference to a fire which occurred at No. 5, The Peak, on April 28. The Government replied on June 22, enclosing a report by the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade containing answers to the Chamber's questions, and the enquiries and replies may be conveniently set forth as follows:

Question 1.—In view of the absence of fire fighting appliances, particularly chemical fire extinguishers and portable scaling ladders, at the scene of the fire, will the Government state what appliances are kept on the Peak?

Answer.—Fire fighting appliances kept on the Peak are 5 Despatch Boxes, each containing 3 to 5 lengths (e.g. 300 to 500 ft.) of hose, branch pipe and stand-pipe for getting to work from hydrants.

They are allocated.—1 at Government House (Mountain Lodge, Peak); 1 at No. 6 Police Station;

1 at Mountain View; 1 at Gough Hill Police Station; 1 at Victoria Hospital.

Chemical Extincteurs in fire trucks could be kept as suggested, but a permanent Sub-Fire Station with small, adaptable, and up-to-date appliances and a few trained firemen, as suggested in a former report, is to be preferred.

(The Government informed the Chamber in a covering letter that it is proposed to keep chemical extinguishers in fire trucks).

Question 2.—Why was only one fire engine sent to the Peak in the early stages of the fire, with a mere handful of men? It is presumed that the presence of the East Surrey Regiment at the fire was not known to Brigade Headquarters?

Answer.—This is incorrect. Two motor fire engines (in accordance with Brigade Organisation instituted here since September, 1922), were immediately despatched to the fire on the receipt of call.

The fact that one machine (the first to arrive) is a speedier and later type, and better geared for climbing hills than the other, accounts for its arriving at the fire some few minutes earlier.

The "mere handful" of men were:

14 with the 1st appliance (excluding driver), 7 with the 2nd appliance (excluding driver).

(2) Personnel:—

Is it not a fact that the control

and care of the above mentioned

Station, together with Fire Floats,

rests in the hands of a permanent

staff consisting of three European

and approximately 200 Chinese?

If so, it would appear that the

European staff of the Fire Brigade

is totally inadequate and our rea-

sons for making this statement are

as follows:—

(3) Fire Insurance Association

of Hongkong:—

Would it not be possible for

the Police and Fire Brigade to

co-operate more closely and con-

sult with this Association as

occasion arises? Many of the

When these practices are being held it is presumed that suitable arrangements are made for communication between the Brigade and its Headquarters?

Answer.—No. The "entire" Brigade would include Kowloon fire appliances as well.

The appliances taken for practice in front of the Hongkong Club belong to Hongkong side only and at the most number only. On this occasion only 3 appliances were available for drill. Of this number 2 were actually at the Hongkong Club at the time the call was received (e.g. No. 3 machine from Wanchai and No. 4 from Kennedy Town).

No. 6 Appliance (the first machine that arrived at the fire) was about to leave Headquarters at the moment the call was received and, in proceeding to the fire passed the Hongkong Club and ordered No. 3 machine on.

No. 4 machine returned and "stood by," but, a few minutes later, (on receipt of a Brigade message from the fire) was also ordered on. Thus all available help was sent.

The Chamber also stated that it has frequently been proved that unsupervised native labour is of

comparatively little value, and this applies with equal force to the Fire Brigade. It was therefore asked whether the Government would consider the desirability of employing more Europeans in the Brigade in order to obtain better supervision and control. The Government replied that it is not proposed to employ European firemen, but some increase in the number of European officers may be necessary as stations are opened. The Government also pointed out that owing to the configuration of the Peak it will always be difficult for the Fire Brigade to arrive at the scene of a fire as soon after the alarm is given as is possible in more accessible districts, and it is therefore most desirable that persons residing on the Peak should protect themselves in the manner customary in country districts in England by having chemical extinguishers on the premises.

Hongkong Hotel Fire.

On January 1, 1926, a large portion of the Hongkong Hotel was destroyed by fire. The Chamber on February 6 received the following letter from Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Secretaries of the Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong, regarding the facilities available for dealing with the outbreak:—

We have been instructed by our Committee to place before you for consideration the following points in connection with the above fire, which we feel should be brought to the early attention

of the Government:—

(1) Fire Brigade:—

So far as the actual "Gear" is concerned we understand that it is considered to be sufficient for the present requirements of the Colony. It is distributed over the following Stations:—Hongkong:—Central Station, Kennedy Town, Wanchai; Kowloon:—Central Station, Mongkoktsui; Harbour:—Two Fire Floats (at present).

In addition to the above, we understand that the Captain

Superintendent of Police holds

the title of Chief Officer of the

Brigade, but in view of the fact

that he was not in fire uniform

at the Hotel fire, we take this to

be merely a nominal post and that

he cannot be looked upon as one

of the effective European mem-

bers.

If this is so, it will be seen that

the undermentioned are without

any permanent European Station

Officers:—Hongkong:—Kennedy

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(4) Duties of Mr. Brooks:—

Is it not a fact that the Super-

intendent in charge of the Brigade

has many duties to perform, such

as the inspection of fire installa-

tions, etc., which necessitate his

frequent absence from Headquar-

ters? If this is so, it seems obvi-

ous that in addition to further

European firemen, an assistant to

Mr. Brooks, who can take charge

of the Brigade in his absence, is

urgently required.

(5) Native Staff:—

Is it not a fact that the rank

and file of the Chinese staff is

constantly changing, owing to the

poorness of the terms of service,

thereby impairing the efficiency

of the Brigade?

(6) Water Supply:—

Is the Government satisfied that

the normal pressure of water in

the mains is sufficient in view of

the increasing number of high

buildings erected and in process

of erection in the City?

(7) Fire Insurance Association

of Hongkong:—

Would it not be possible for

the Police and Fire Brigade to

co-operate more closely and con-

sult with this Association as

occasion arises? Many of the

members of the Committee have

had long experience of fires and,

more particularly, fire protection,

and the benefit of such experience

would be gladly given if any

useful purposes could be served

thereby.

EUROPEAN OUTLOOK.

DISARMAMENT TALK A
"HOLLOW MOCKERY."

American Observation.

New York, March 19. Ambassador Houghton since he arrived from London has been conferring with President Coolidge, Mr. Kellogg and Mr. Gibson, the American Ambassador to France, as regards the condition of Europe.

While nothing has been officially disclosed about the conversations, correspondents at Washington declare that the two diplomats painted a gloomy picture of the impotence of the League of Nations,

and of Europe drifting back to the pre-war system of a balance of

power.

The correspondents hint at a revision to the policy of aloofness on the part of the United States, beginning with the dis-

armament conference, in which President Coolidge was previously

so deeply and sympathetically in-

terested, but which now is hang-

ing in the balance owing to an im-

pression conveyed by the diplomats

that the preliminary arms con-

ference at Geneva, if ever

meets, will be a hollow mockery,

since the European Powers do not desire an agree-

ment.

Disasters.—In accordance with

Article No. 90 of the Company's

Articles of Association, Hon. Sir Paul

Chattock and Mr. T. G. Wall retire by

rotation, and offer themselves for re-

election. Mr. B. D. F. Both retired

from the Board on leaving the Colony,

and Mr. D. G. M. Bernard was invited

to join the Board, which appointment

requires confirmation at this meet-

ing.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard has been ap-

pointed Chairman for the year 1926.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been

audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham &

Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith,

Seth & Fleming who retire and offer

themselves for re-election.

COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong & Whampoa
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for the year ending 31st Decem-

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HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual general MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Tuesday, 23rd March, 1926, at 6.15 p.m., to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,

P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 15, 1926.

G. JAMES R. NOTICE.

OWNERS and DRIVERS of motor cars are hereby notified that no cars will be permitted to park below the former main entrance to the Hongkong Hotel in Pedder Street. Motor cars are not allowed to remain in Ice House Street longer than is absolutely necessary.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.
Hongkong, March 19, 1926.

NOTICE.

The Fifth Annual General Meeting of the "British Legion" will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, 24th March, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Accounts for the Year 1925 and of electing officers and other Members of the Committee for the ensuing year and of appointing Honorary Auditor and of dealing with any other business.

By Order of the General Committee.

H. E. D. ADAMS,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Hongkong, March 19, 1926.

NOTICE.

The Annual General MEETING of Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on Thursday, 25th March, 1926, at 4 p.m., in the old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes:

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1925.
- (2) To elect a new Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,

M. F. KEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 17, 1926.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-first Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Offices of the Company at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 27th March, 1926, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1925.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 19th day of March, to Monday, the 29th day of March, 1926, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Hongkong, March 5, 1926.

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NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 24th March, 1926, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, the 20th March, 1926, until Thursday, the 25th March, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

S. COURTNEY COOK,
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Hongkong, 9th March, 1926.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

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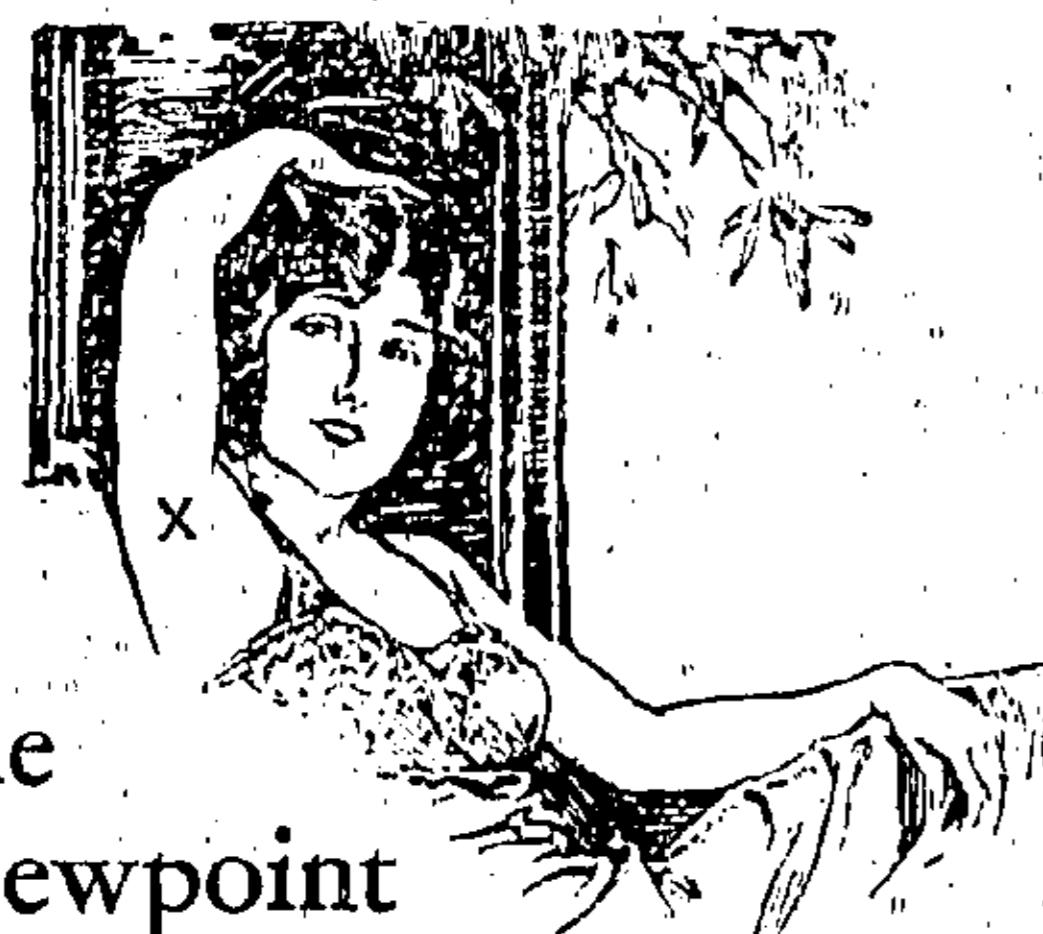
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TELEVISOR INVENTION EXPLAINED.

London Feb. 7.—Mr. John L. Baird, a British engineer, to-day gave a demonstration of his televiser, an invention to broadcast pictures before members of the Royal Society of Engineers.

The inventor already has a license from the British Post Office to broadcast, and a company which has been organized, is now busy manufacturing portable wireless "seeing" sets to be sold for \$250. The sets produce pictures and sounds simultaneously.

Mr. Baird's claim to the invention of a successful television apparatus was borne out by to-day's demonstration, but he was the first to put a modest estimate on the success so far gained, and to admit that vital improvements were still essential.

Through the instrument, however, one could watch a person through a brick wall smoking a pipe in the next room, see through an inch board and study the internal workings of a mechanical doll. A hand wire was used in the demonstration, but operation is equally efficient without wires.

The televiser was described as an electrical telescope which enables objects to be seen, not by light, but by electrical energy.

A large disc, containing lenses, is used with a revolving shutter to pass the image of the object to be transmitted at an immense speed over a special light-sensitive cell. This cell reacts as the light falls upon it and varies the current, which is transmitted to the receiver where it controls a light behind an optical apparatus similar to a transmitter. All that is seen at first glance is the huge revolving disc of the transmitter and a smaller one going at exactly the same speed.

Upon the screen of the receiver a light flickers and a picture emerges that is comparable to the image produced in the early days of primitive cinematograph.

Two years ago Mr. Baird succeeded in transmitting shadows. A year later he advanced to the transmission of outlines and now he has produced light and shade.

He admits he has a long way to go before reaching perfection. Until recently he has been hampered by a lack of funds, but now he believes he has enough capital to perfect his invention in a short time.

LADY'S HAMMER.

TOURIST DAMAGES
VENERABLE TEMPLE.

Batavia.—Police warrants are issued against four American passengers of the steamer Fairfield City, now at Semarang.

One of the four is a woman, who is said to have tried to demolish the beautiful relief plates in the famous Borobudur Temple with a hammer.

Some of the Americans admit they wished to remove a plate, "to ascertain whether there was a sepulchral tomb hidden beneath."

Damage to the relief plates is not serious. Prosecution will be difficult, because there were no witnesses.—*Reuter*.

Borobudur's Buddhist temple is really a mountain or hill graven into terraces, and set all round with balconies carved like the frontages of the "rose-red city" of Petra.

Its four fronts are formed of hewn lava blocks. Round the lowest terrace the measurement is more than three furlongs.

There are five such terraces, slightly smaller than the lower. The three-mile-long series of walls are decorated with life-statues of the Buddha and other sculptural ornamentation.

Borobudur has been called an "eighth lamp of architecture." Even in the gorgeous East it has no parallel for the impression of vastness and richness of ornament.

This temple is perhaps 1,000 to 1,200 years old; but for centuries it was lost beneath decaying tropical vegetation, till it was looked upon as a mere hill of jungle.

Representatives of 35 women who launched the lifeboat at Boulmer, Northumberland, during a blizzard are to receive an award from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution in London in April.

NATIVE'S DICTIONARY.

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Niemvo was associated with Dr. Holman Bentley and Messrs. Comber and Grenfell, the first British missionaries to open up this part of Africa nearly half a century ago.

News has come through the Baptist Missionary Society that, though he has lost the use of his eyes, Niemvo has written his autobiography and is still helping the missionaries at Wathen, in the Congo.

In his life story, Niemvo says he first met Dr. Bentley in 1881.

"He came into our town one morning and stayed over the following day. He slept in my uncle's house with the King of the Congo, who was staying there at the time.

"The white man asked if any of the people would like to send some boys with him to the mission station to be taught to read and write. My uncle told me that I must go, but I was afraid; so he took me to the king, and the king handed me over to the white teacher."

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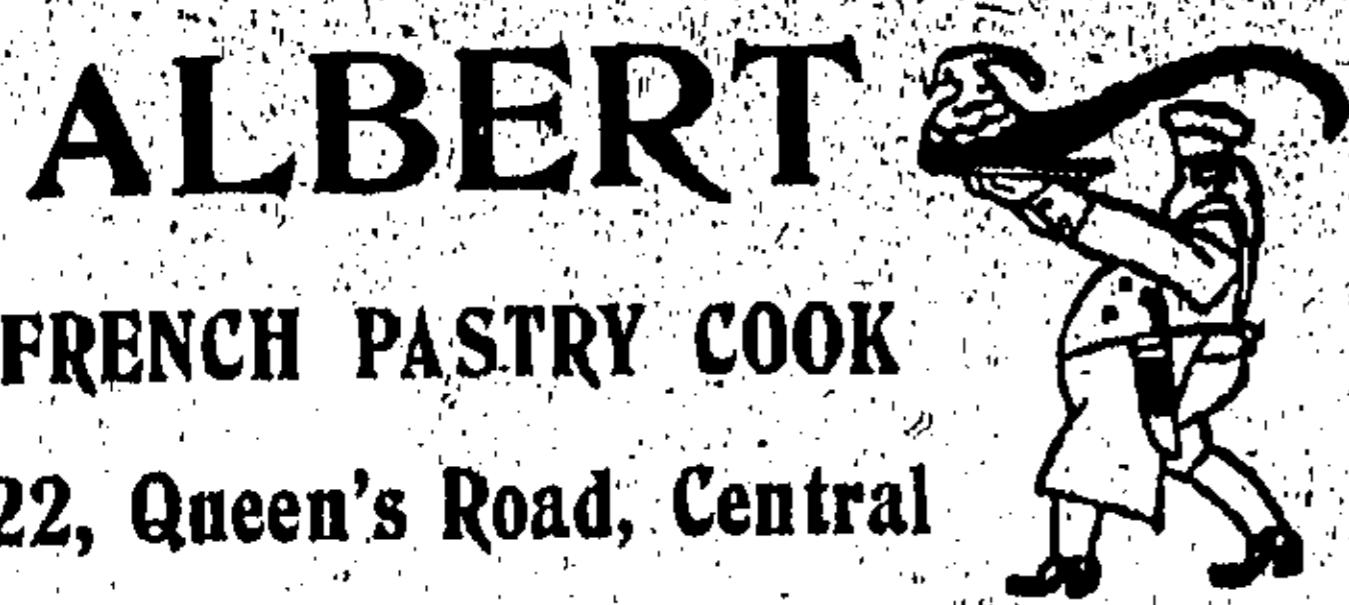
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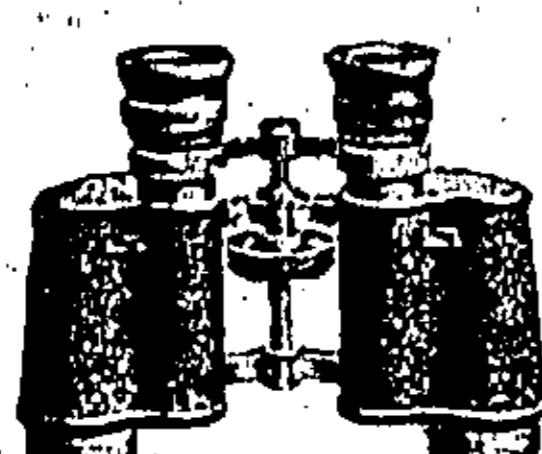
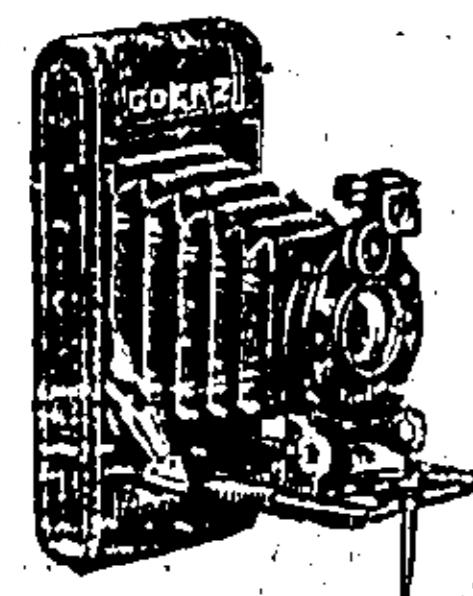
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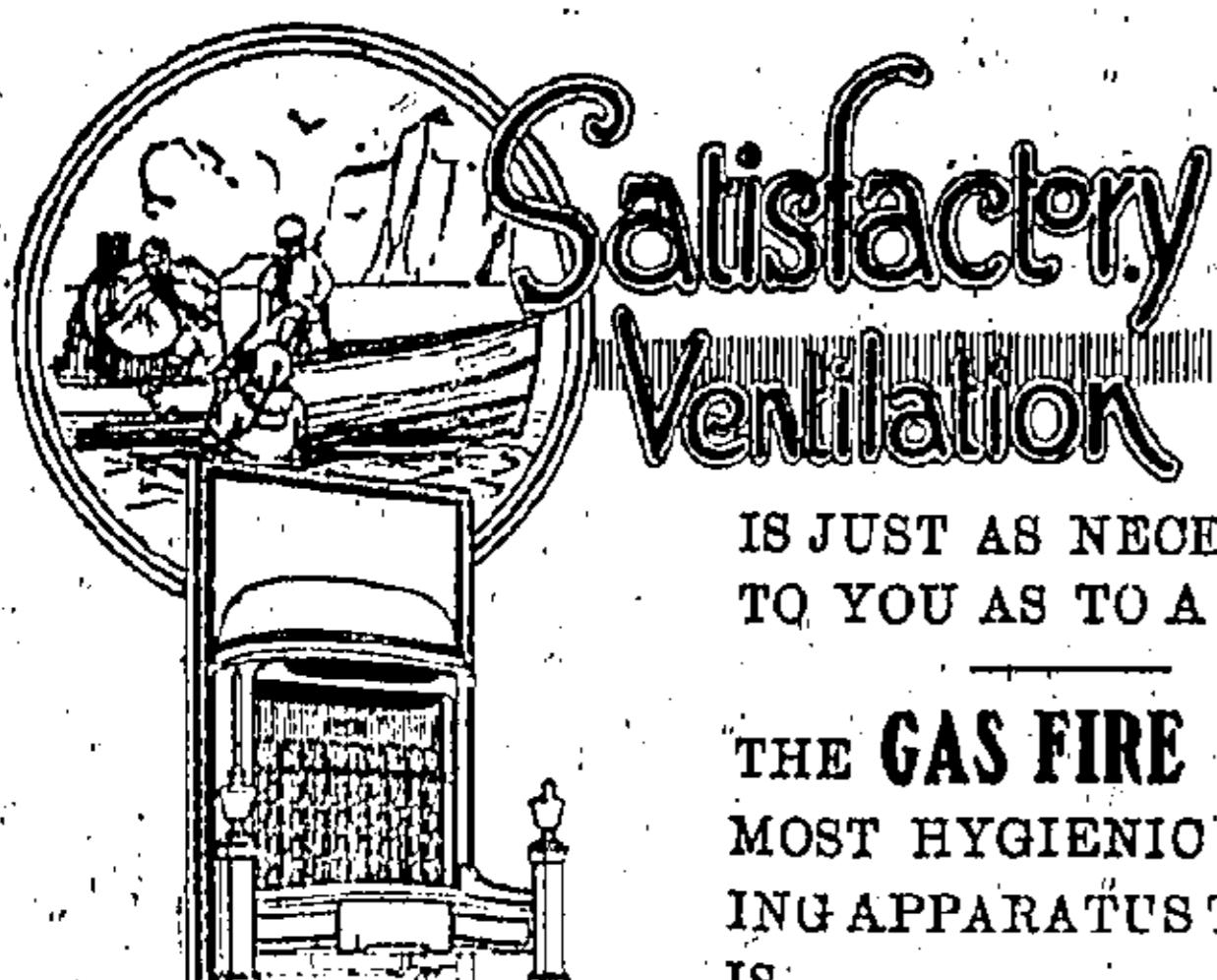


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BERLIN MYSTERY.

IS SHE RUSSIAN PRINCESS?

Berlin, Feb. 8.—Mystery surrounds Frau von Tschakovsky, who lies ill here in the Memmisen Sanitarium and whom rumour, some weeks ago, credited with being the former Grand Duchess Anastasia, daughter of the murdered Russian Czar Nicholas.

The story on its face was fantastic and incredible. The girl was supposed to have been shot with the rest of the Romanoff family in a cellar at Ekaterinburg, but not fatally wounded and rescued by a guard and transported outside of Russia.

However, certain facts remain unexplained, which, although they do not justify credulity of the woman's claims, indicate a pretty intrigue playing around her.

Especially curious is the attitude of the Danish Embassy in Berlin. Although a relative, of Anastasia, Grand Duchess Olga, came from Copenhagen at the request of the Czar's mother, who is still living in Denmark, in order to identify the pretender and repudiate her. It is learned on absolutely responsible authority that the Danish Embassy has not abandoned the investigation and is in a measure supporting Frau von Tschakovsky's claims.

The woman is in a critical physical condition, it is said, and her mind is wandering. She receives absolutely no visitors nor is any information vouchsafed to questioners at the sanitarium. Although it is reported she is in destitute circumstances, she occupies an expensive private room and is attended by a special nurse and a private secretary.

The presumption is possible that certain parties have a special interest in keeping alive the fiction that a person close in kin to the Czar is still living.

A large sum of money, amounting perhaps to \$1,000,000 deposited in English banks and accruing from life insurance policies of the Czar remains unpaid due to the uncertainty surrounding the fate of his heirs, and it is claimed in part by the pretender, Grand Duke Cyril, who has established his "court" in Coburg.

It is speculated that perhaps other branches of the Romanoff family are interested in maintaining the fiction that Grand Duchess Anastasia is not dead in order to prevent the disposal of this sum.

Soviet sources ridicule the thought Frau von Tschakovsky is Anastasia, saying there is no question of the fate of Anastasia, as the Soviet account of the "executions" of the Romanoffs, just now appearing, proves.

It is learned, that those crediting the story, chiefly in the Danish Embassy, base their belief on Frau von Tschakovsky's ability to identify photographs taken in the intimate family circle of the Romanoffs and her possession of a curious cigarette holder identical with one belonging to Grand Duchess Anastasia.

Officially the embassy refuse to discuss the matter, but attaches do not deny they are continuing the investigation.

WEALTHY SHOWMEN.

MILLIONS INVESTED IN ROUNDABOUTS.

Showmen from all parts of England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland, and the Continent were recently in London for the annual conference of the Showmen's Guild.

"The trade of the showman has never been better than it is to-day," an official of the Showmen's Guild informed a *Daily Mail* reporter. He proceeded:

In the old days, we used to provide for the children only. Now we provide for adults as well. It is perhaps, not generally realised just how flourishing the industry is. At least £15,000,000 is now invested in it and half a million people are employed in it.

A scenic railway may cost as much as £30,000, and well-carved and well-painted roundabouts about £15,000. I expect there are from 1,000 to 1,500 roundabouts in England, Scotland, and Wales, and their total value would be many millions of pounds.

A great amount of capital is invested in traction engines, and, in the war, a thousand of these were handed over to the Government. There has been a great increase in the use of petrol lorries and tractors in recent years.

HIGH LIFE.

BOOK BY STEEPLEJACK.

A new book has been published, entitled "Steeplejacks and Steeplejacking." By William Larkins, and a Home reviewer writes:

Although an obvious method of rising in the world, the steeplejack's profession is not an attractive one to the ordinary mind. According to Mr. Larkins, who is one of its leading practitioners, it is healthy and does not, as some have conjectured, conduce to insanity. And, singularly enough, it does not make youth an indispensable condition, for the author's most trustworthy assistants have been over forty. One man with whom he was working did go mad at the top of a 150-foot chimney-stack and try to precipitate himself into the sulphurous interior; and the successful struggle to prevent him must have had few experiences to match it in sheer nerve-racking horror. Some of the adventures of Mr. Larkins's craft make forizziness even on the printed page — such as that of the man who, through some one else's blunder, had to spend hours on an isolated perch 200 feet high until his rescue could be organised. Every jack has his falls, and "the horror of the empty air," as one can well believe, is a sensation all by itself. "Your heart rises to your mouth. Another feeling one has is that of his legs separating from the rest of his body. The rush of air grips your throat like that of a person about to undergo the penalty of hanging."

Sailors, curiously enough, are apt to make poor steeplejacks. In Mr. Larkins's case the calling is hereditary, and this circumstance can be conceived as doing more than any other to impart the steadiness of nerve demanded. The author has been to the top of the Nelson Column oftenest than anyone else, and one of his more out-of-the-way commissions was to rescue a clergyman's cat, which had found its way to the top of the 200-foot steeple. Those whose imagination yearns for giddy predicaments and close shaves will get their fill of these from Mr. Larkins's book.

FIGHTING TUBERCULOSIS.

SPAHLINGER TREATMENT FOR ENGLAND.

A fund has been launched at Home to raise £100,000 to secure the Spahlinger treatment for tuberculosis for Britain.

The announcement was made in Manchester at a meeting arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Brunner, of Northwich.

Mr. Roscoe Brunner said there was a wonderful unanimity on the value of M. Spahlinger's discoveries. Sanatoria in this country have cost £40,000,000, and require £1,000,000 per annum to maintain them.

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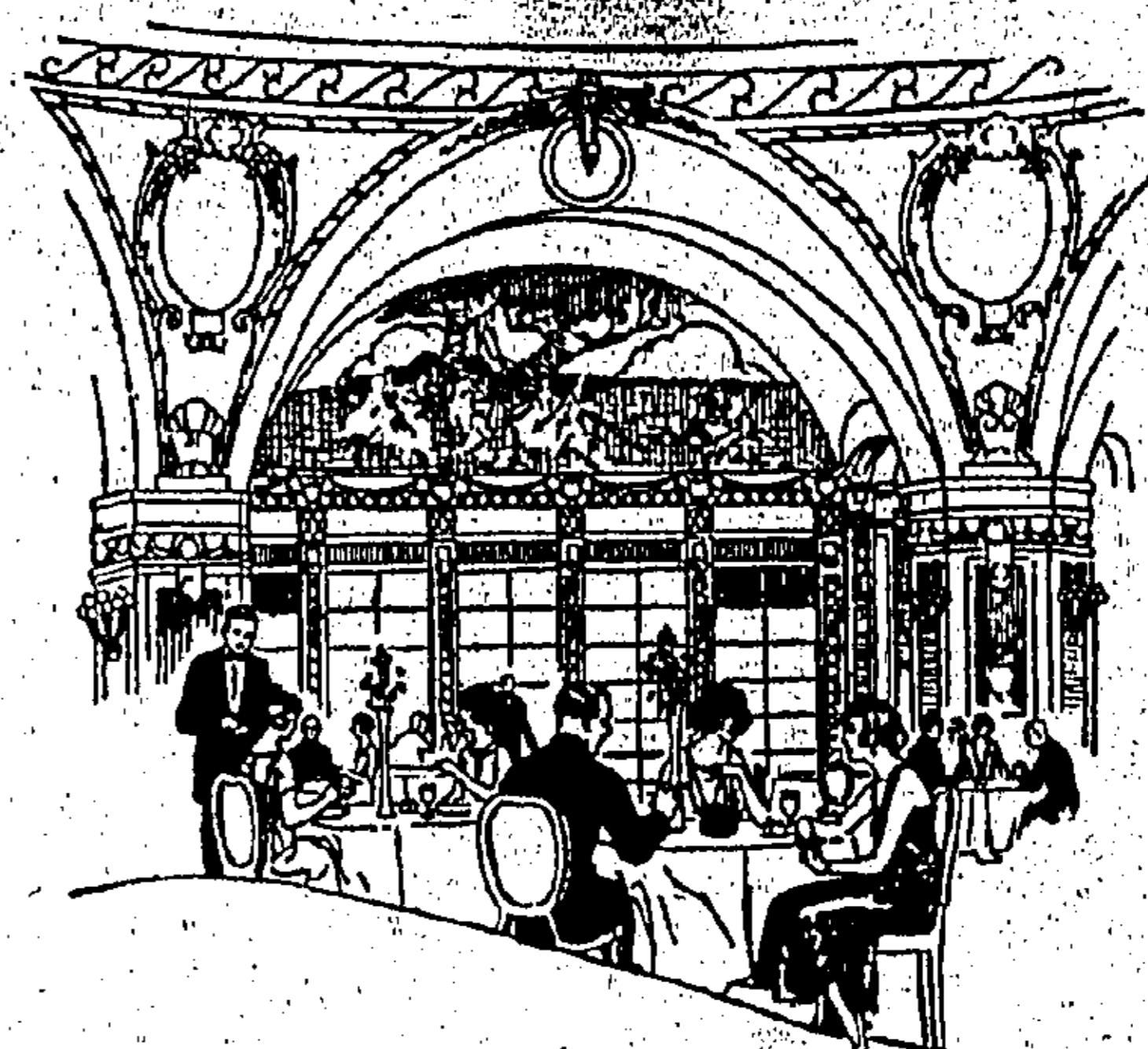
Mr. Brunner said the first £40,000 of the fund was required to secure the land and laboratories at Geneva. The remainder was needed to extend the scope of the treatment for other diseases besides tuberculosis. The remedies were not secret, for the formulae were now deposited with the Swiss Government, but they could not be published because it was not safe to let them be manufactured by unauthorised persons.

OWN FORTUNE SPENT.

Mrs. Roscoe Brunner had spent his own private fortune in pursuing his research. He had refused offers of untold gold from America, and he had also staved off offers from France and Germany.

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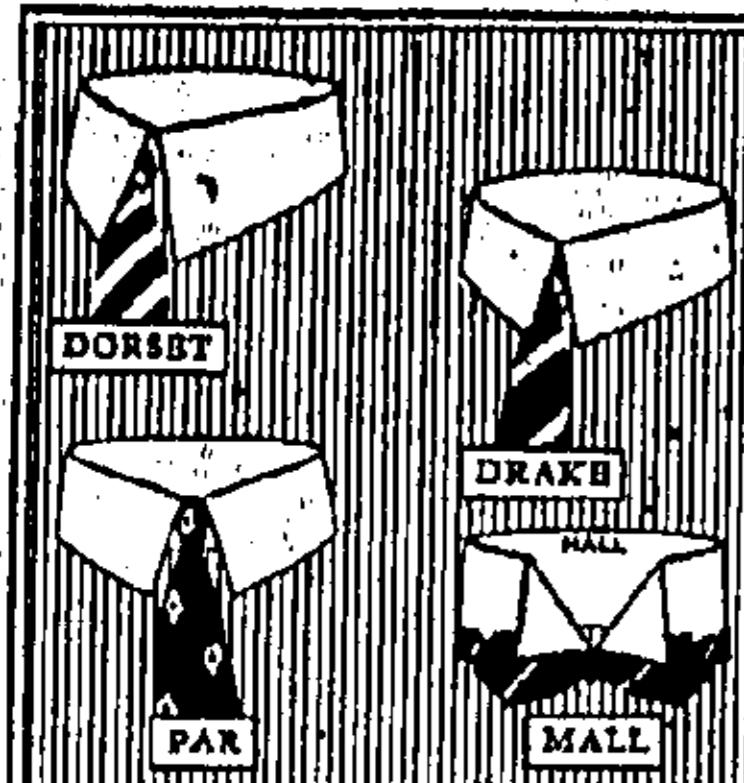
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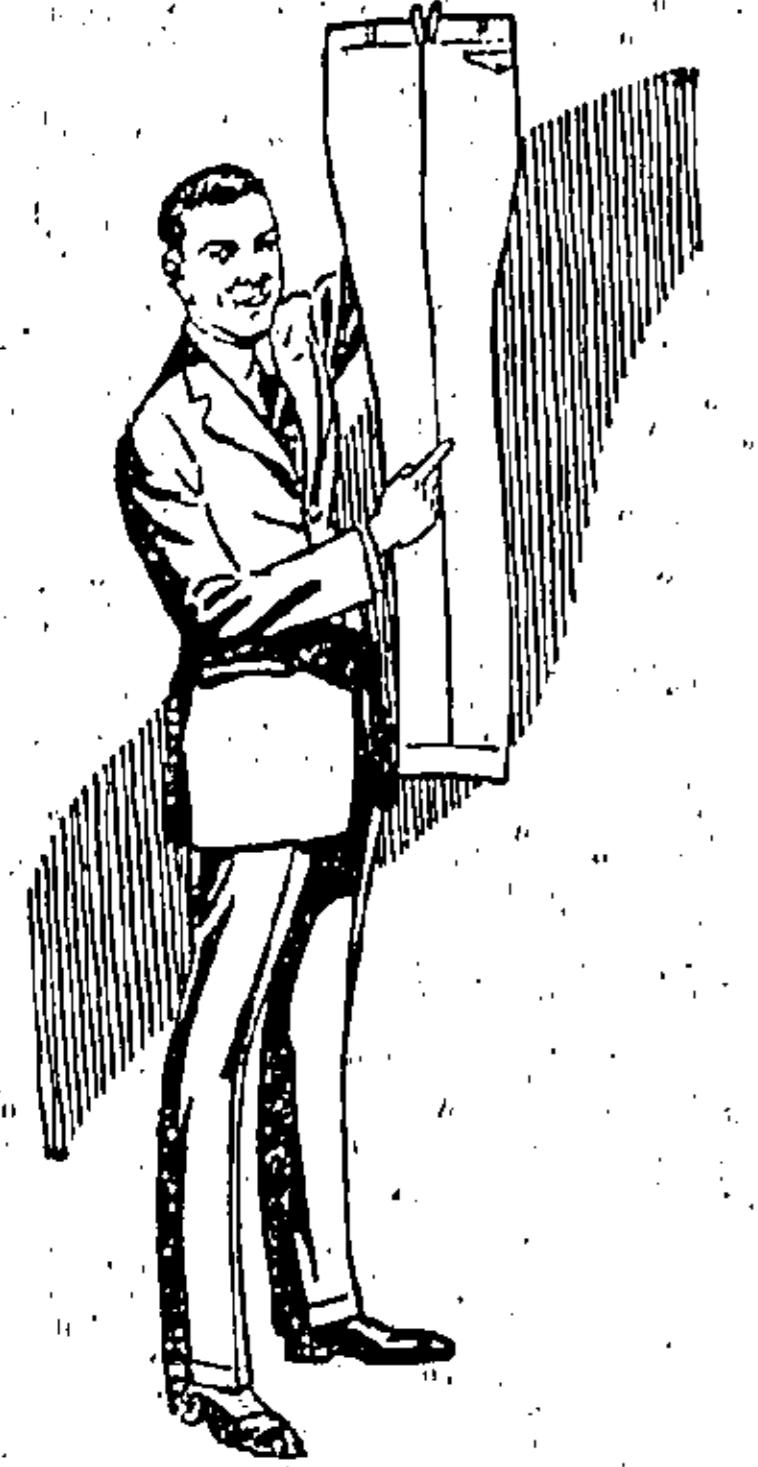
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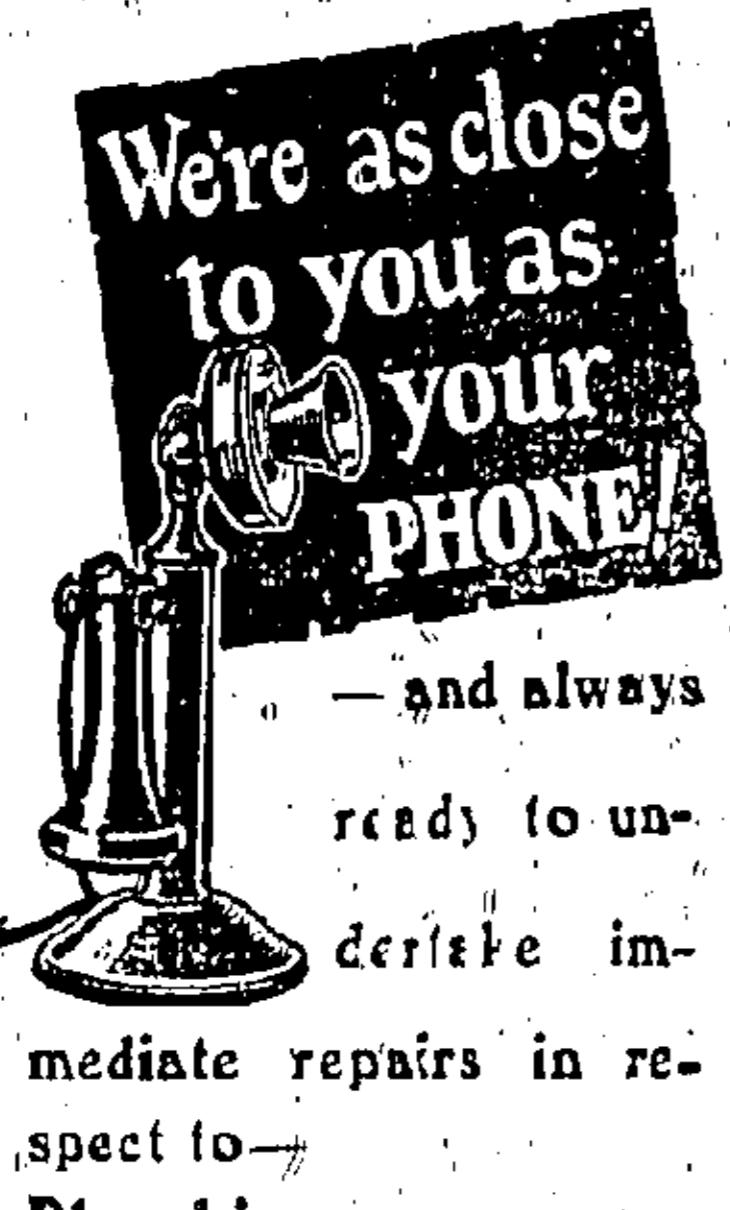
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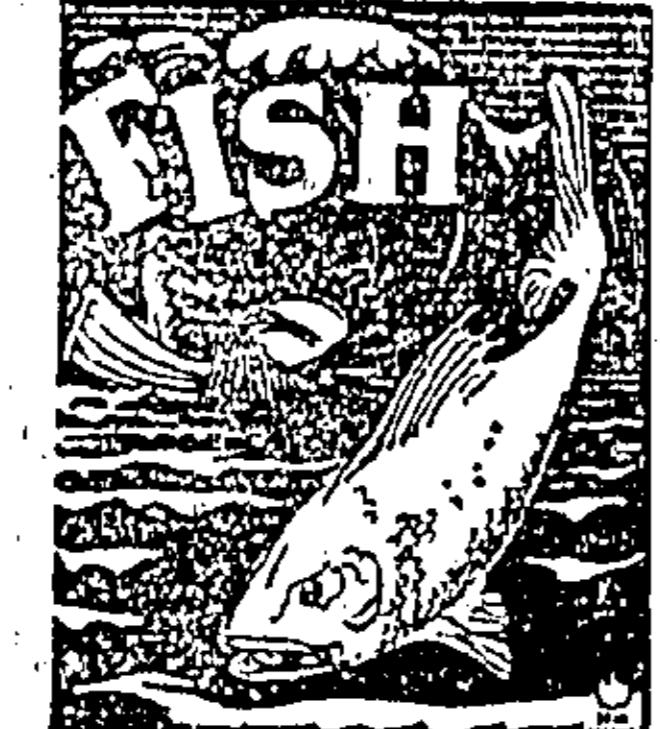


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WHAT IS A SAXOPHONE?

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Mr. Justice Eve: What is a saxophone? Counsel: I am told that it is an instrument that resembles a cornet, used in what I understand are called jazz bands.

The above dialogue in the Chancery Division the other day sheds very small illumination on the history of the saxophone, which, despite its name, is not an instrument which a Scotsman might exchange for his bagpipes by the "banging of a saxophone." They cost anything indeed, from £25 to £60.

Its music, however, in soul-stirring quality, might vie with the war-pipes, and has been described as "a howl like a nightmare in mortal agony!"

The saxophone, which really belongs to the family of clarinets and bassoons, was invented so long ago as 1840 by Adolphe Sax, and four years later was introduced into the French army bands. It has since been adopted in England at the Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall.

Many modern composers, Moerbeek, Massenet and Ambroise Thomas, have scored for it in their operas, and it was first used in orchestra by Kastner, in 1847, in "Le Dernier Roi de Juda."

Mr. Justice Eve's inquiry was put to various people by a representative of *The Daily Chronicle*, with the following results:

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Bizet, the composer of "Carmen," introduced it as a sole instrument in "L'Arlesienne," and as there were very few saxophone players in England, generally it had to be played here with the clarinet.

I cannot tell you whether the saxophones as used in the jazz bands, are the same as those for which the masters scored in the past. To my mind, it was always a soft-toned, beautiful instrument.

I am very much inclined to think that the public are apt to confuse the saxophone with the horrible bleating noise of the muted trumpet or muted trombone.

Mr. Jack Hylton, leader of the popular orchestra.—The saxophone is an instrument that has been brought into prominence by dance orchestras, though that does not mean it is a new instrument by any means. It was invented in 1840.

It is a difficult instrument and the man who can play it properly commands a greater salary than the judge who asked: "What is a saxophone?" and the counsel who gave so foolish a reply.

Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 28.—A fatal mine disaster took place at Ampang on Friday, due to the explosion of a compressed air bottle. The engine was being tried by Mr. Paterson, the engineer of the East Asiatic Company, of Johore, with a Malay fitter at the wheel valves. The Malay was burnt to death. A Chinese was severely injured and another less severely. Mr. Paterson was himself slightly burned and three others were injured. The roofing of the shed was blown off.

BABIES SAVED FROM BLINDNESS.

DOCTOR'S FIGHT AGAINST DISEASE.

Thousands of children throughout the country owe their sight largely to the efforts of Dr. Frederick W. Alexander, who is retiring in a few months after 33 years as Medical Officer of Health in Poplar, and 44 years in the public medical service.

"If there is one thing in my life that I am proud of," Dr. Alexander told a *Daily Chronicle* representative, "it is that I was chiefly instrumental in having ophthalmia neonatorum made a notifiable disease first in London, and then throughout the country."

"This disease affects the eyes of newly-born babies, and a large proportion of the inmates of blind institutions owe their blindness to it. Nowadays it gets few victims."

Speaking of his work during epidemics, Dr. Alexander said that in the influenza outbreak of 1891 he often went round the streets with relieving officers climbing into houses through the windows because the people inside were so ill that they could do nothing for themselves.

"We had to take them food and milk as well as medicine, for they were too helpless to move," he added.

"In those days the disease was not known as influenza, and I called it 'Breakback Fever.' It was this that carried off the Duke of Clarence, elder brother of the present King."

"The 1918 epidemic was almost as bad, and I had to get soldiers to drive the hearses and bury the dead, while owing to the shortage of undertakers the coffins had to be made at a shipbuilding yard.

NURSERY FOR DISEASE.

"During the smallpox epidemic at the beginning of the century we discovered a practice on the part of property owners that was largely responsible for the spread of the disease.

"Some of the rooms we stripped during disinfection were found to have 10, 12, 15 and even 18 layers of paper on the walls. When one tenant left, the owner instead of cleaning the place, put new paper on the walls to cover up the filth.

"I pointed out publicly that if such a state of affairs was allowed to continue the houses would soon be as bad as during the Great Plague.

"Officials ridiculed me for my pains, but I was called to give evidence before a Parliamentary Committee, and powers to remedy this were given us in a now measure."

When Dr. Alexander retires he intends, although 67 years old, to take a busman's holiday and devote himself to chemistry, electricity and artificial sunlight treatment.

"What an extraordinary combination!" remarked Mr. Justice Swift, at Liverpool Assizes, when a witness in a civil action said he was a musician and a money-lender. Witness: I have been a musician practically from infancy." His Lordship: "It struck me as peculiar to join the business of a musician." Still, there is no reason why they should not go hand in hand.

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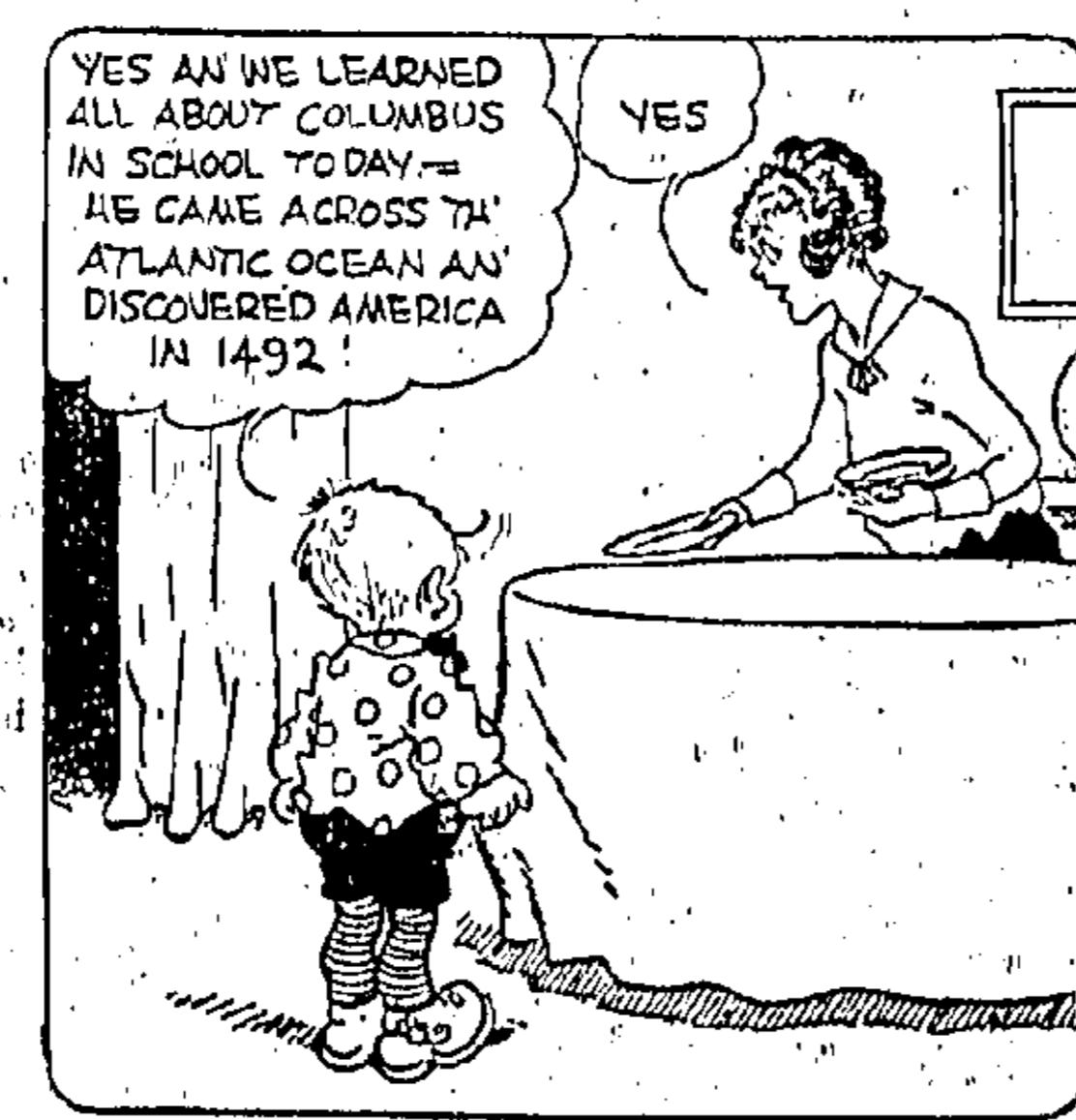
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SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1926.

THE CONSUMER PAYS.

We would commend to the notice of our Chinese readers in particular the extract from the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, appearing elsewhere in this issue, dealing with the kerosene monopoly in South China. Apart from the unwarranted interference which this action by the Canton authorities has caused to legitimate British and American trade, the principal point the statement illustrates is the hardship which has resulted from the tax and monopoly so far as the Chinese consumers are concerned. This is pointedly stressed in the fact that whereas kerosene could be bought in Hongkong all last year at \$4.45 for ten gallons, in Canton the price in December had risen to no less than \$12.50. No-one needs to be told what this means to the average Chinese of the poorer class, for kerosene is practically a necessity to these people, being used almost solely as an illuminant. This altogether extortionate price for kerosene is a direct result of the monopoly constituted by the Canton authorities, for the commodity has in the first place to bear a tax, after which the profiteers come in by raising rates owing to supplies being insufficient to meet the demands. A more pernicious measure has seldom been put into force in South China and it is one which, as we have shown, bears hardly on the masses for whom Canton politicians have always professed a special solicitude.

That the Government tax on the commodity is altogether contrary to Treaty provisions is obvious. Several agreements reached between China and the Powers could be cited to establish that point, and, as the Chamber of Commerce statement shows, Article 28 of the Tientsin Treaty of 1858 bears especially on the issue. This deals with the levying of transit duties and makes it clear that once a single charge has been made, goods are exempt from further imposts. In South China, as in other parts of the country, provincial authorities all too often arrogate to themselves the right, which they do not possess, of subjecting goods to all manner of taxes, to say nothing of the fees which are collected by military commanders in many areas. Not only are these imposts utterly illegal, but they

all add to the costs so far as the consumer is concerned, for it is he who, in the long run, must bear the burden. The matter is one which concerns the whole country, and it will have to be fairly and squarely faced before any revision of the country's Customs tariff is likely to be accorded to.

A Delicate Issue.

There looks like being yet another conflict of ideas in connection with the League of Nations—a conflict in which the United States of America will play the principal part. Yesterday's telegrams told of the early skirmish. On January 27th, the Senate of the United States, after a tremendous amount of discussion, decided, by 76 votes to 17, to adhere to the "World Court," as the Permanent Court of International Justice at the Hague is called in America. But the decision was hedged about by certain reservations, and the Government of the United States proceeded to write separately to the 48 members of the Court setting forth those reservations and asking for an acceptance of them. So far as the United States was concerned, the League of Nations (which was and still is the parent organisation of the World Court) did not come into the scheme of things, but Sir Austen Chamberlain, at yesterday's public meeting of the League's Council, referred to the reservations, and pointed out the difficulty of proceeding by a mere exchange of formal Notes, suggesting that all the countries concerned, including the United States, should appoint delegates to a special meeting of the League's Assembly in September at which the reservations could be considered in mutual conference. And now comes the news that this action of the League has caused a great stir in Washington, and that Mr. Kellogg, the Secretary of State, says that he cannot indicate America's future action if the League of Nations persists in attempting to deal with the matter. In other words, the United States does not view the World Court as having anything to do with the League of Nations and considers that its dealings with the 48 members of the Court ought never to have come up at the League. Feeling in the States is still against joining the League (possibly more so since this week's fiasco) and the advocates of American participation in the World Court went to much trouble in the Senate to minimise the connection between the Court and the League, but one doubts whether the League has not a little more to do with the Court than America seems to think. Of course, the matter is purely one of the Court's status—whether or not it is one of the subsidiary activities of the League. It was certainly brought into being by the League, its membership is the same as the League, its finance and management have been part of the work performed by the League. The United States shuns the League of Nations but wants to join the World Court; she wouldn't mind the child but objects to the parent. In this she has a perfect right, but the parent body might think it has certain rights, too.

SANITARY BOARD.

A COMING ELECTION.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that an election of a member of the Sanitary Board is to take place on Monday, April 12th, at the Registrar's Office at the Supreme Court. Nominations have to be sent in to the Registrar at least four clear days before the election.

This election becomes necessary owing to the expiration of Mr. C. G. Alabaster's third term of service. He was first elected in March, 1917, and his present term ends on April 11th, next.

AIR SERVICE TO EAST.

A DUTCH COMPANY'S SCHEME

Amsterdam, March 19.
The Netherlands Aerail Navigation Company, one of whose principal aims is a regular air service between Holland and the East Indies, has asked the Government for a subsidy of four million florins from 1927 to 1934. Reuter,

DAY BY DAY.

FREE AND FAIR DISCUSSION WILL EVER BE FOUND THE FIRMEST FRIEND TO TRUTH.—George Campbell.

Mr. Eric Rico is passing through the Colony on the P. & O. ss. Kihwa.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. J. H. B. Nihill to be a Police Magistrate.

A water buffalo has been stolen from a house in the village of Tai Shui Hong, valued at \$200.

The *Gazette* contains detailed forms prescribed under section 23 of the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1915.

Dr. G. D. R. Black has been reappointed a member of the Medical Board for a further term of three years.

A Chinese seaman on the German steamer Oldenburg from Singapore committed suicide by jumping overboard.

A Japanese donkey-man, of the Mito Maru, has been arrested for having in his possession two automatic pistols and two magazines.

The Hongkong University Union Athletic Association is holding its 11th annual sports on the Pokfulum ground on Saturday next, at 2.30 p.m.

The annual meeting of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals is to be held in the Chamber of Commerce Board Room at 4 p.m. on Tuesday.

A Chinese postman has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from injuries caused by falling between the Yaumati ferry wharf and a launch.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Dr. J. P. Fehily to act as Health Officer of the Port and Inspector of Emigrants, during the absence on leave of Dr. B. H. Mellon.

Commencing on Wednesday next, Rev. Father R. Schmidt, of the University of Manila, will give a Lenten Mission at the Roman Catholic Cathedral every evening at 6 o'clock.

Mr. W. J. Carroll, Ice House Street, has reported to the police that between June 19th, 1925, and the 19th. of this month, some person stole dress material from a case, valued at \$600.

It is noticed that, at the expiration of three months, the International Petroleum Co., Ltd., will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

On appearance on remand today, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the man and two women charged with possession of bombs were again remanded, it being decided that the hearing will take place on the afternoon of the 22nd, and will be continued on the following day.

The manager of the Telegraph Administration at Canton has reported to the Government that its office at Sheklung was robbed on the night of the 16th instant, and that the clerk-in-charge and the staff were all kidnapped. Particulars of the incident have not yet been received.

A Chinese was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with larceny from three yachts, the complainants being Mr. H. S. Rouse, Mr. A. Ritchie and Captain Arthur. He was remanded for 48 hours for enquiry to be made.

After posting a farewell letter to his wife, leaving his clothes on the seawall, and disappearing for six days, Mr. Reginald John Lund, a Gravesend school teacher, reappeared in a dramatic manner. His family had met to discuss the future of Mrs. Lund and his three children, when Mr. Lund appeared, famished and distressed, his clothes soaked with rain. He said he could not remember anything that happened, but was wandering, apparently, in the streets of London when he remembered that it was the birthday of his youngest child. He thinks he must have travelled to Gravesend by tram. He must have walked far, for his boots were worn out; how he got his new clothes he does not know.

She adds that she does not see any English player of sufficient feasibility and promise to compete

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Unfortunately, the Professor has had discouragingly bad luck so far. He has broken the bank nineteen times, and won upwards of seven million pounds. He fears there must be an error in his system somewhere.

That sweet singer, Mr. Beasley Tosher, has just published a new book of verse entitled, "Glucose and Glue." It only came out the day before yesterday, but so well has the first edition gone that most of the copies are already on the secondhand bookstalls in the department marked "all on this shelf 3 for 2d." By his kind permission I am able to quote the following little gem:

THE HIGHER BOTULISM.

Must I, in ectoblastic mood,
The paradigm of Life forego,
And, where the courts of Jamshyd stood,
Drift into gross desuetude?

Or yes! or, rather, no!
Must I, with isocrymal phlegm
Attuned to atrabiliousness,
Imbue Self's shardé diadem
With xenomorphic apothegm?
O no! or, rather, yes!

At the risk of being struck off the register of the British Medical Association and of having their stethoscopes impounded and burnt by the public hangman, several eminent medicos have recently ventured to express to a newspaper reporter the opinion that there is no known cure for the common or garden head-cold. By the same opportunity they enunciate completely contradictory methods for subduing the ferocity of this distressing malady, a state of affairs which is horribly disconcerting to the reader. To be told by one learned doctor (with half the alphabet after his name) that one's sole chance of relief lies, say, in inhaling curry powder through the nose, and by another (with other half of the alphabet in his wake) that sniffing curry powder will cause a cold to develop into painter's colic leaves the layman as bewildered as a moneylender at the gates of Paradise. For my part, I have grown completely to disregard newspaper medical opinions ever since I read—

DON'TS FOR THE HEAT-WAVE.

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DON'TS FOR THE COLD SNAP.

Don't drink whisky. It only makes you colder.



When I think that "Famous Physician" can't make up his mind whether whisky chills one or warms one—pon my word, it makes me go hot and cold all over!

SI ZANNE AND THE PRESS.

A HINT OF MATRIMONY.

London, 13th February.—"The

reporters view me with a magnifying glass. A cold becomes pneumonia. Indigestion is transformed into appendicitis. If I spend a day in bed they order iliac and a hæse," says Miss Longton in an article in the *Sunday Herald*.

"The newspapers won't let me forget that I'm twenty-seven and it's high time I was married. I have every intention of leading some unsuspecting male to the altar some day, but I won't allow the newspaper men to select him. The funniest thing is that I have been engaged twice and the newspapers never discovered it. When I am really engaged they won't know it either."

She adds that she does not see any English player of sufficient feasibility and promise to compete

with the Americans, the French and the Australians in the near future.

Lenglen believes that tennis is a style of self-expression similar to music and literature.

"Every nation plays according to its temperament. Frenchmen are speedy, Americans a mixture of protechnics and ice, Englishmen like Parker and King are triumphed by their steadiness, tenaciousness and iron nerve. Your modern players are trying to imitate the French and Americans and the result is disaster. But the Englishwomen, especially Mrs. Lambert Chambers whom I dread most, play the correct game, returning the ball with heart breaking regularity and in consequence they rank higher in international tennis than the men."

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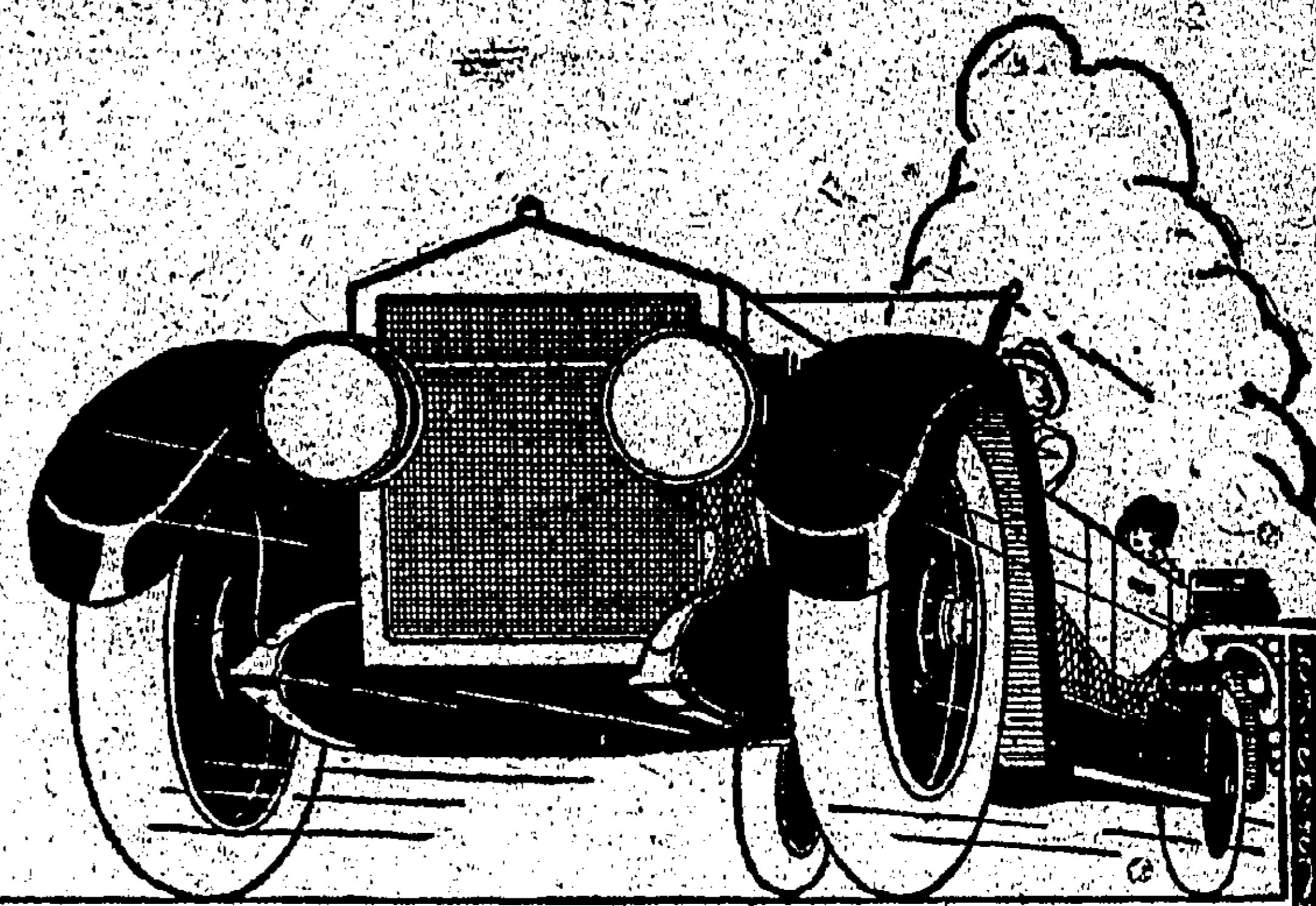
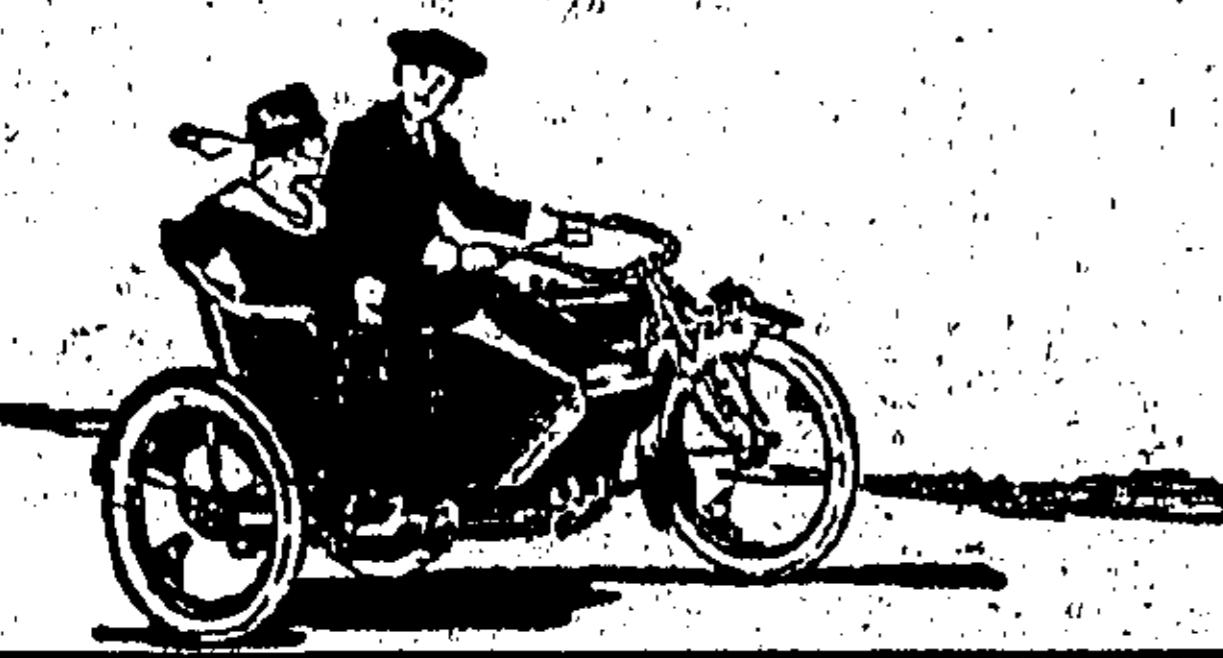
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MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

OF
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CURRENT COMMENT

The Touting Nuisance.

The attention of the authorities concerned may well be called to the nuisance which is becoming more pronounced in the vicinity of the Post Office, where especially during the week-ends, Chinese "tout" for motor car passengers for cars which are waiting on the Praya or on some of the side streets in close proximity. At about 6 p.m. on Sunday last, the writer was accosted by several of these people. In order to gauge to some degree the extent of the practice, the first man to offer a car for hire was asked the capacity of his vehicle, and when it was pointed out that a seven seater would be better, five other cars were offered by other touts who had gathered around during the discussion. In all there were nine of these presumably unlicensed agents, and various garages were mentioned as being the owners of the vehicles. Two or three of the men appeared to scent trouble and made their exit from the circle in consequence. Local residents may be relied upon not to patronise such people, but it is a different matter to the unsuspecting visitor, who may easily be under the impression that the business is quite legitimate. It does not require a particularly vivid imagination to foresee possible trouble such as robbery, and it is certainly time that steps were taken to stop such an obviously undesirable practice.

H.K.A.A. Meeting.

Members of the Hongkong Automobile Association should make a special effort to be present at the Annual Meeting which is to be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. at 5.15 p.m. on Tuesday next. Some particularly important and interesting suggestions will be submitted. We cannot say more at the moment, excepting to urge members to support the Committee by attending.

DRIVES THROUGH GLASS—MERELY CUT.

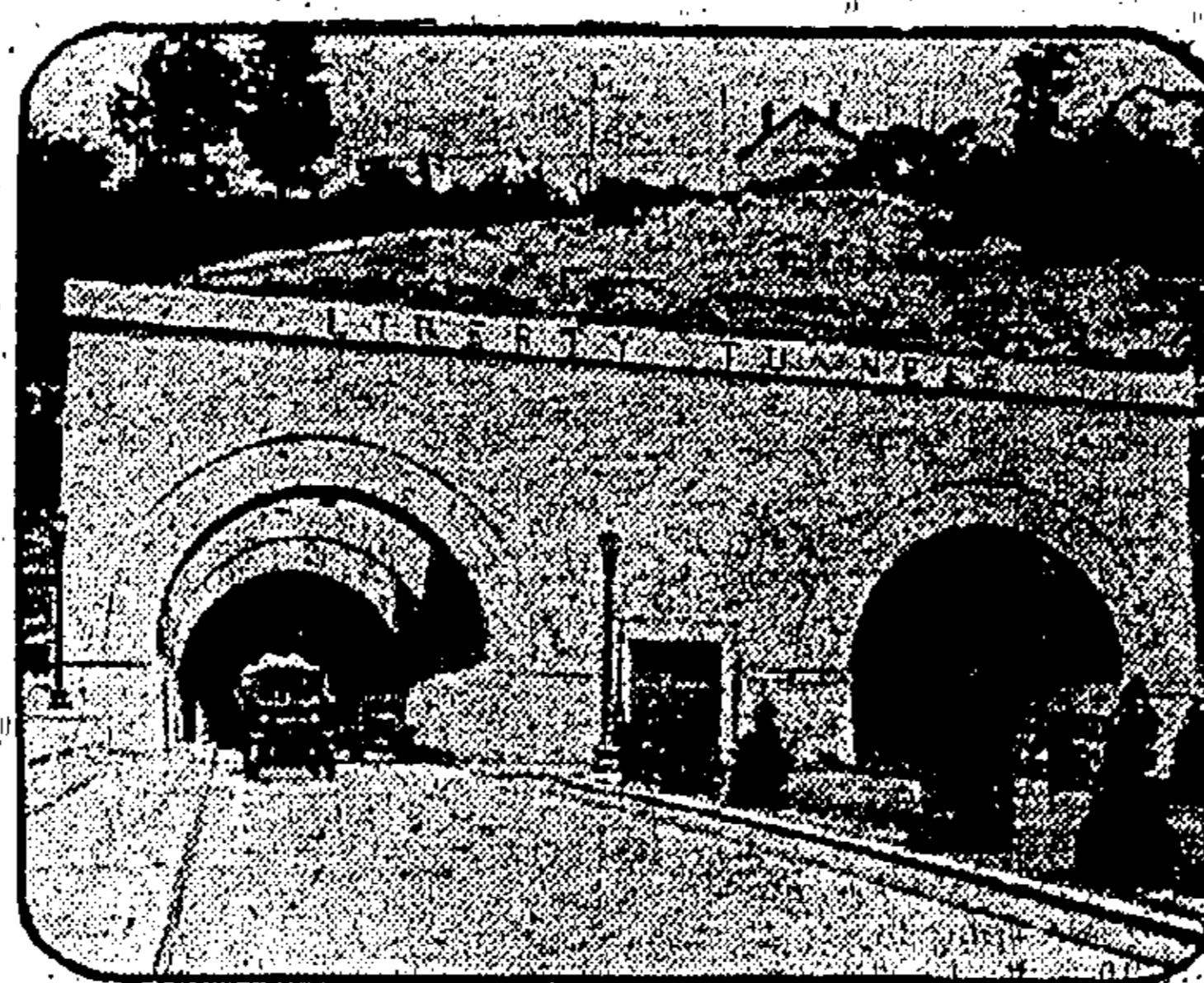


Harry Lorraine, English daredevil, drove a motorcycle at 60 miles an hour through a pane of glass. He sustained two slight cuts. Picture shows him at the moment he crashed through.

TUNNELS SOLVE TRAFFIC PROBLEM.

Tunnels are the latest methods being used by traffic engineers to solve congestion problems. These one-way tunnels shorten distances between points and speed up traffic.

The Liberty Tunnels were recently completed at Pittsburgh. These long motor tunnels run 3,000 feet under a lofty hill.



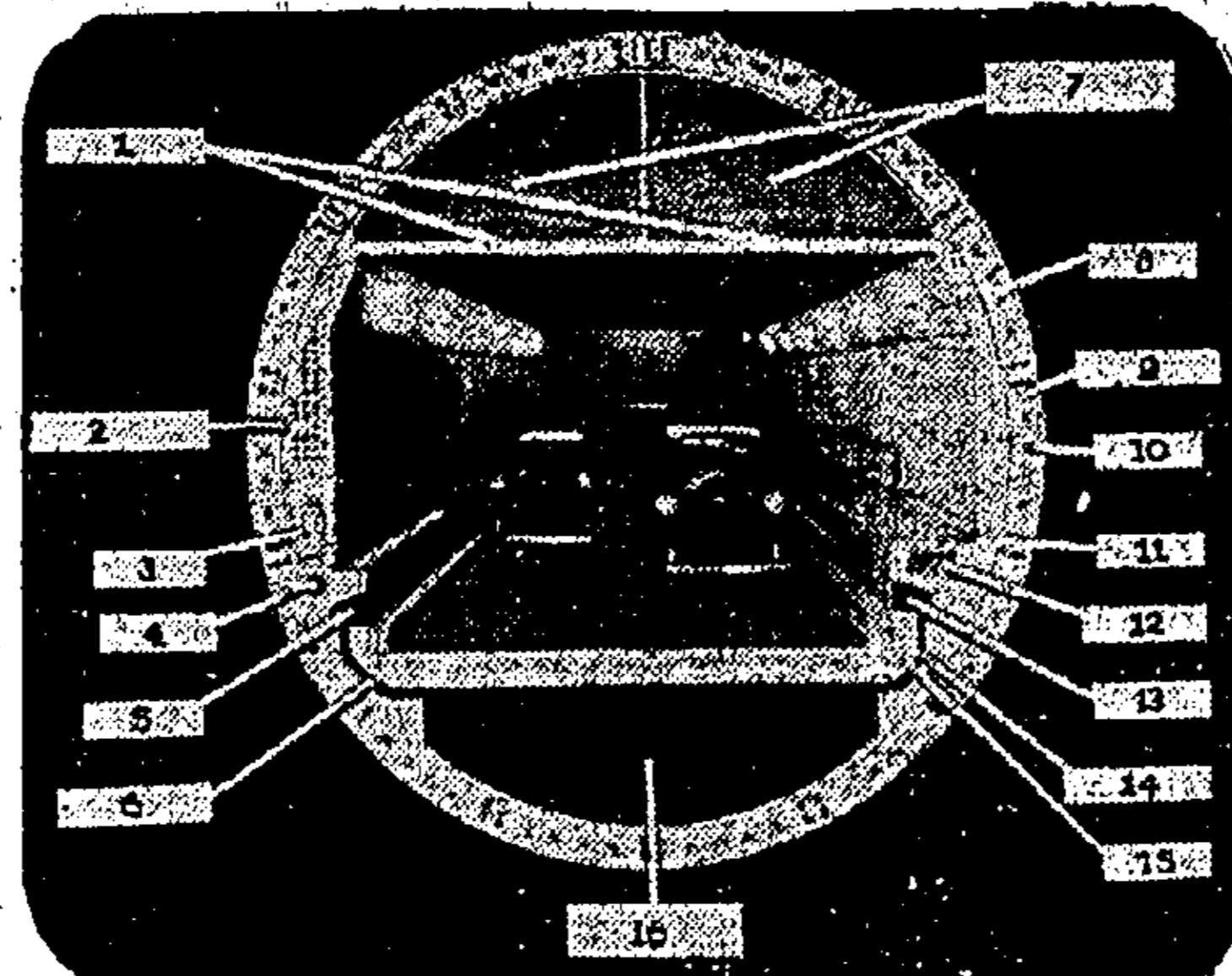
Private Garages.

The greatest problem to the man of moderate means in Hongkong is not the purchase of a car, but the relatively high cost of garaging once it becomes his. On the Hongkong side, the Government has erected a number of rather elaborate garages which may be rented by motorists, but the rental is necessarily high because of the expense incurred in building. There appears to be no reason why a less expensive type should not be introduced, or certain areas set apart where motorists could erect an approved design of portable garage at their own expense, paying a nominal rent for the privilege. Subject to certain obviously necessary regulations, such as fire risk, such a scheme would be very much appreciated by a large number of people who either do, or would own a car. Beneficial to Trade.

It must be conceded that the motor car industry is a most important one, and even here, in Hongkong, every encouragement should be given for its advancement. After all, even apart from the need which already exists, future development must be taken into account, and provision made for the increasing number of motor vehicles which are, and will be, taking the road.

Singapore's Trams.

Singapore is committed to the replacement of its trams by rail-less buses, and some of the new vehicles are in the course of erection in the Harbour Board Godown at Keppe Road. Curiously enough, reports seem to indicate that the trams are more popular and nearer paying their way now than at any time in their history. Singapore may yet discover that the old system was the most economical, although the modern motor bus is unquestionably the most satisfactory auxiliary service in connection with tramways.



The tunnels were built at a cost of \$500,000. They save motorists a long detour around the hill and give them a concrete-paved, one-way road on which they go at a fast rate and save a great amount of time.

We publish a diagram of the famous Holland Vehicular Tunnel under the Hudson River at New York. There are two tubes, each a mile and a half long and 29 feet, six inches, in diameter. These tubes were built at a cost of \$4,200,000.

The huge problem that had to be overcome in the construction of

TYRE TIPS.

Learn the correct air pressure for your tyres and check it every few days. Four pounds loss of pressure in a balloon tyre of a certain size is just as serious as the loss of two or three times that much in a high-pressure tyre of a corresponding size.

Avoid over-loading your tyres and when it is absolutely unavoidable help the tyre to handle the extra load by putting in more air.

Anything which causes a tyre to drag with more or less side motion, instead of running true, will grind the rubber tread away faster than is normal. A brake which drags will cause rapid tread wear also.

See that your skid-chains are not so tight that they gouge into the tread and fabric carcass of your

tyre. Make sure that they are true so the tyre runs without a wobble.

Probably no one thing causes tyres to be scrapped before they have given full service more than a break or crack in the fabric body of the tyre, commonly called a "stone-bruise." Usually the tyre can be saved if such injuries are promptly repaired by a good vulcaniser.

MEMS. FOR MOTORISTS.

[BY GEORGE COOKSON.]

Three things greater than all things are,

The hooter, the switch and the

"juice" in the car.

I.

Of precaution be no scorder;

Always something round the

corner—

Round the corner something hid,

Cart, or car, or cow, or kid,

Kid in "pram," or kid on scooter—

Sound your hooter!

II.

When you're anxious to depart

And the starter will not start

However hard you press it,

And you—don't exactly bless it.

When you, sweating at the handle,

Think the game's not worth the

candle,

Ere your breath's completely

gone—

Switch on!

III.

When the petrol tap's all right

And the switch also,

When you crank with all your

might,

But it's all no go;

When you feel your temper giving,

And decide life's not worth living

And bitter is your cup—

Fill up!

GASOLINE SUPPLY.

AMERICA'S OUTPUT.

The domestic demand for gasoline for 1926 is estimated as approximately 10,547,416,000 gallons.

Mr. Roger B. Stafford of the National Petroleum News has estimated the consumption of gasoline in the United States at the beginning of the past three years with almost perfect accuracy. His 1925 estimate was only three-tenths of 1 per cent too low.

In addition to the consumption of 10,547,416,000 gallons, Stafford estimates that export demands will require 1,500,000,000 more, making a total demand on American refineries of about 12,000,000,000 gallons.

Demand Increase.

The constant increase in the number of automobiles manufactured makes greater demands on America's gasoline supply.

The improvement of automobiles, making them more comfortable and pleasurable also increases the use of gasoline as the automobile no longer remains idle during inclement weather but is used the year round.

Weather conditions, prosperity and other factors may alter the estimate to some degree, but taking the country as a whole, it is believed that a decline of the use of gasoline in some districts will be compensated for in others.

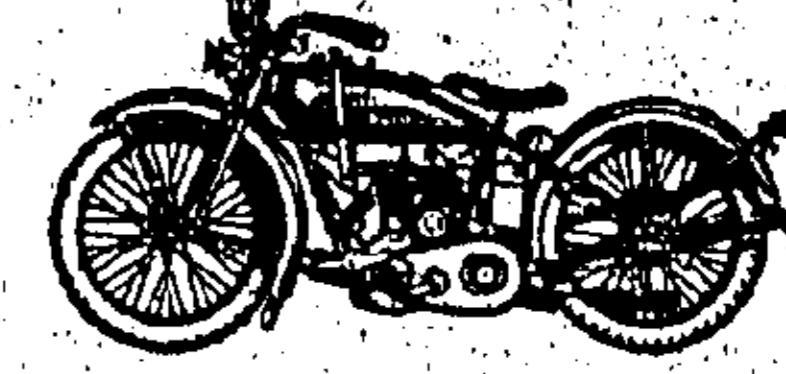
Crude Oil.

Improved refining methods, increased cracking facilities and a desire among refiners not to increase stocks of gasoline makes it difficult to estimate the amount of crude oil that will be consumed during 1926.

However, Stafford estimates that if the amount of crude oil charged to stills in 1926 is in the same proportion to 1925 charges, approximately 837,000,000 barrels of crude oil will be needed.

BIG VEHICLE COST.

More than \$90,000,000 was spent in South Carolina during 1925 for motor vehicles and their operation. About 10 per cent of a similar amount was spent for roads during the same period.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Tuesday, 29th March, 1926, at 5.15 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,

P. MC HODGSON,

Hon. Secretary.

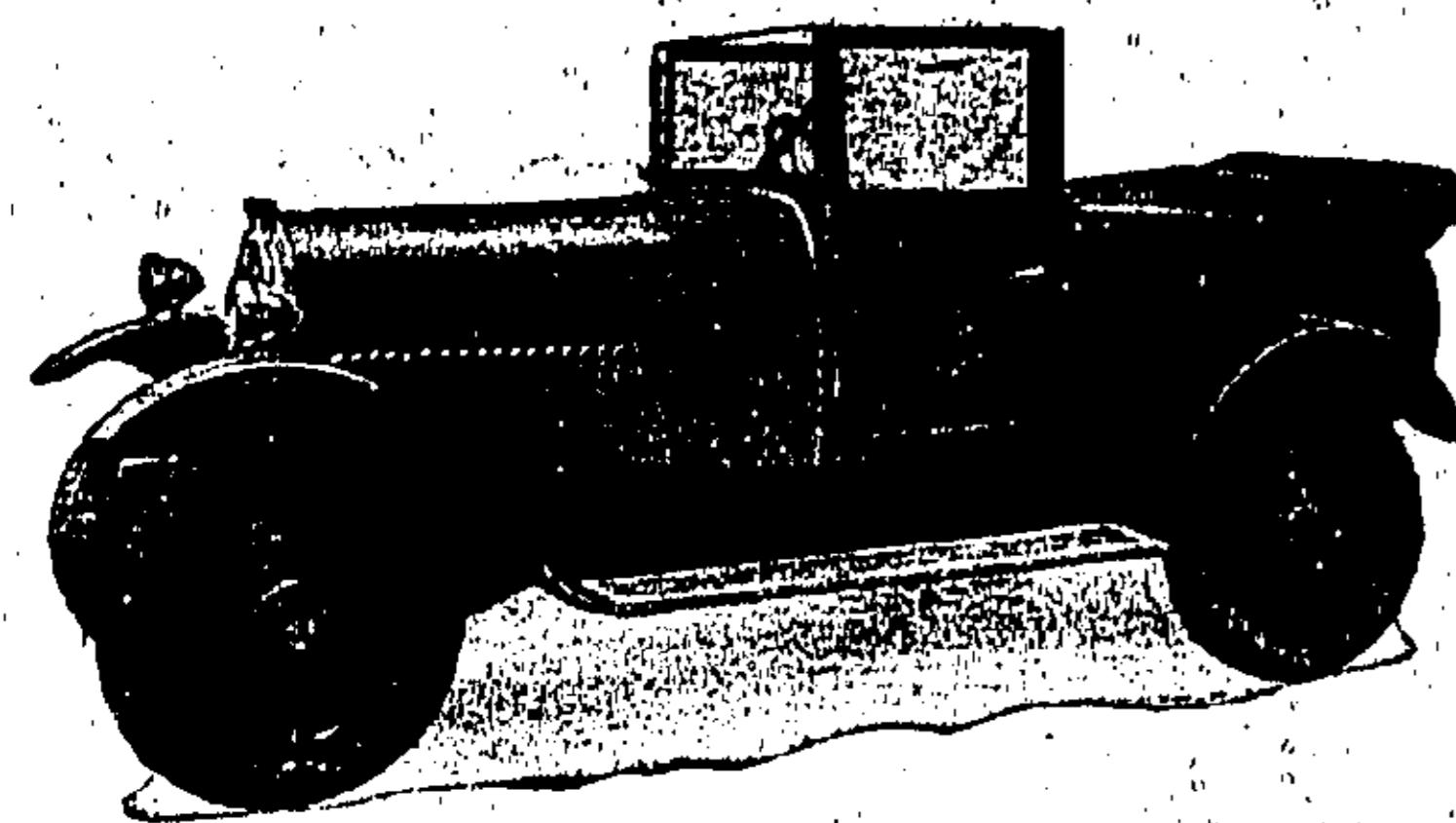
AUTOS ON FARMS.

CARS BECOME BURDEN.

More than 50 per cent. of the farm women in the mid-western and northern states of America run their own cars. The survey which brought out these figures does not tell how these women use their cars, but since the same survey shows that 67.7 per cent. of the farm women in that district still draw water from wells or pumps outside of the house, and only 27.8 per cent. have sinks with drains in their kitchen, it is safe to say that they are not burning up much gas in "gadding."

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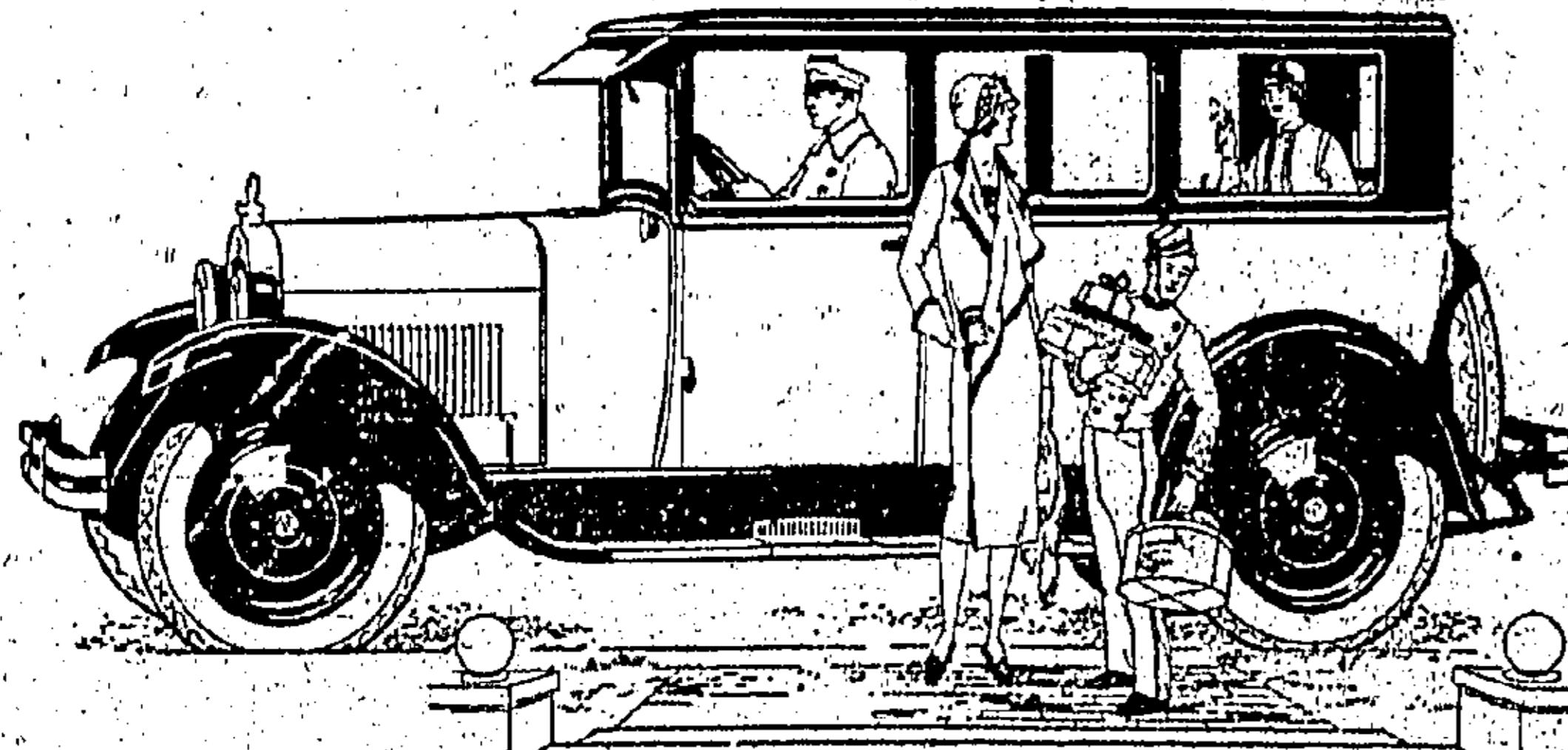
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Bringing in More Petrol.

The vast amount of British labour employed directly and indirectly by the petrol distributing companies in England is almost unknown to the general public. Apart from the comprehensive organisation engaged on the actual distribution work, the coastal and river craft needed, the tankage to be erected and the fleets of road and rail tank wagons to be built, renewed and kept in repair, British shipping benefits directly from the activities of those concerned. The proprietors of Pratt's Motor Spirit, for instance, have on order for early delivery at the present time, no fewer than five tank vessels, their total carrying capacity being not less than 411 tons and the total cost is £28,000. All these vessels are British built.

Look Before You Leap.

A Birmingham motor van driver was recently the most surprised man in the country. Driving a van laden with furniture on a pitch dark night, he suddenly felt the vehicle slip sideways and come to a violent and sudden stop. He at once jumped out—and fell 14 feet into the flooded River Winton. It was afterwards discovered that the van, had skidded on to an embankment and was actually suspended above the river.

Audible Warning.

Many motorists have lately been prosecuted for not giving audible warning of approach at cross-roads or dangerous corners. The defence in many cases has been "ignorance of the regulations." It would be well if drivers realised that, in addition to the moral obligation to sound their hooters on such occasions, there exists a legal obligation, the breach of which may mean conviction and

A Hardy Pedestrian.

Whilst walking in High Street, Chiswick, a man was knocked down by the mudguard of a passing car. Several people went to his assistance, but before they had dragged him out of the way another car came along and ran right over him. This, however, did not subdue the hardy Chiswickian, who, declining medical aid, rose to his feet and walked off home—apparently unhurt.

London Accidents.

A statement recently issued from New Scotland Yard contains the accident figures for the Metropolitan area over a period of three months.

Altogether, there were 28,489 accidents reported to the police and 194 resulted in fatalities.

It is significant that out of the total of 194 fatalities only 53 are attributed to private cars. All the figures show a reduction on those for the preceding three months.

Speed Trap Warning.

A motorist was recently fined for obstructing the police in the course of their duty by warning other cars that they had entered a "police trap."

It is an offence to do this only when the motorist warned is driving in an illegal manner at the time the warning is given to him.

B.S.A. Take Up Radio.

It is officially announced that the Birmingham Small Arms Company, Ltd., of Birmingham, manufacturers of the world-famous B.S.A. rifles, cycles and motorcycles, have entered into an agreement with the Standard Telephones and Cables Ltd. (formerly Western Electric Company, Ltd.), whereby the developments of the latter company in connection with radio broadcast receiving apparatus will operate for both companies. A new B.S.A. Company has been formed under the name of B.S.A. Radio, Ltd., which company will market the new B.S.A. products. The head offices of B.S.A. Radio, Ltd., is at Small Heath, Birmingham.

Mr. J. W. Bryan, who is well known as the firm's Publicity Manager, and who has been closely connected with the company's sales departments, will be in charge of all matters relating to sales of B.S.A. Radio, Ltd.

An Enlightened Coroner.

"In these days when there are many motors on the road, it is the duty of pedestrians to exercise the greatest care, not only in their own interests, but in order to assist careful drivers."

Motorists in general will heartily endorse this remark (which was recently made by the Dudley Borough Coroner), and await hopefully for the time when all coroners will take up this broad-minded and reasonable standpoint.

Bullying a Motorist.

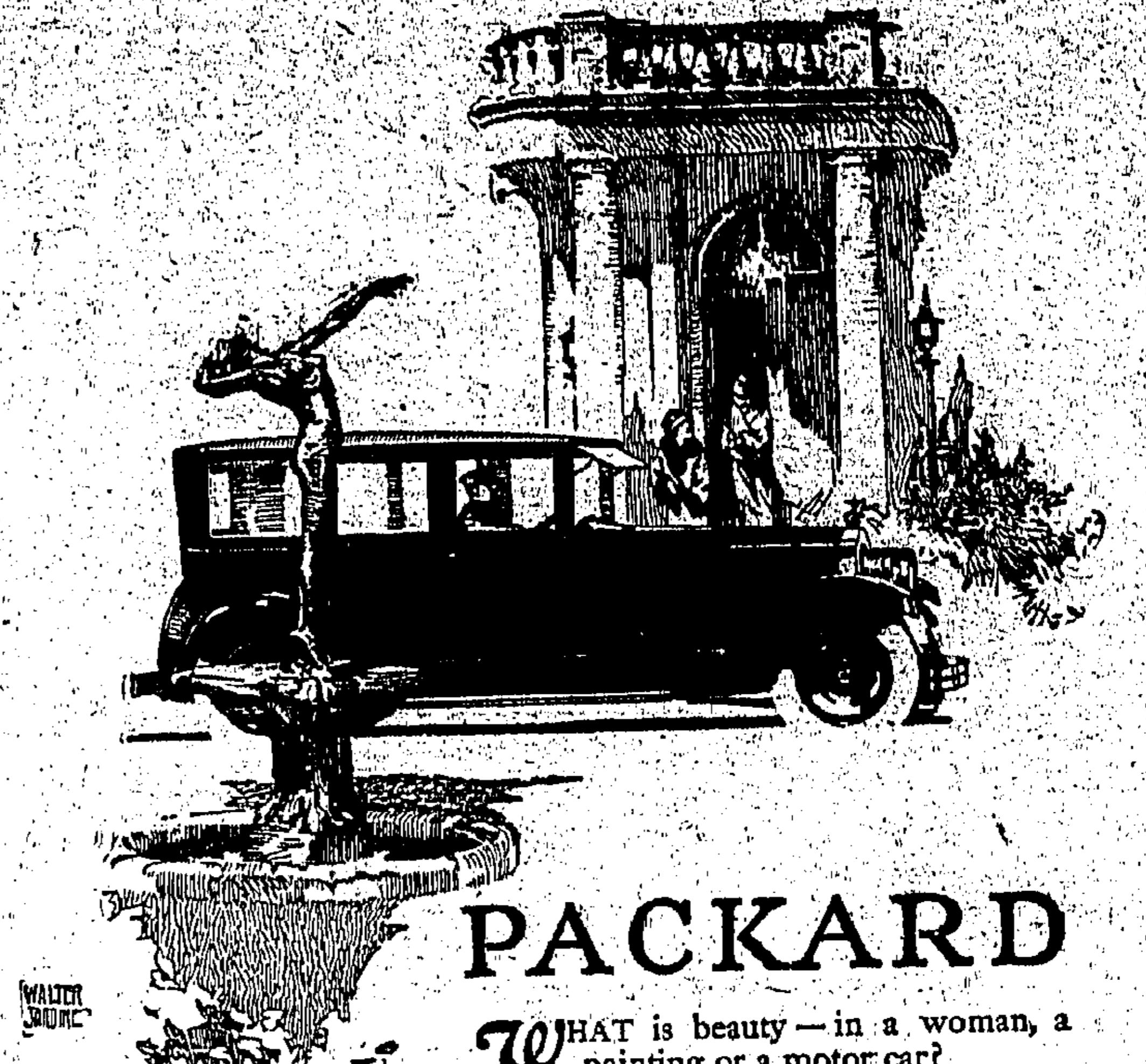
The Chairman of the Magistrate at Bridlington Police Court Petty Sessions recently rebuked a police inspector for "bullying." The inspector wanted a motorist to go into the box and state that he was not the driver in respect of whom a summons for dangerous driving had been issued. It was pointed out that the police must prove not only that a car in question belonged to the defendant, but also that he committed the offence.

Murder or Manslaughter?

In the United States of America the authorities have decided that if a motorist drives through a crowded street at 60 miles an hour, in trying to escape an arrest, and knock down and kill a pedestrian, he is guilty of murder. The English law hardly goes so far as this, but reckless conduct which is likely to lead to, and results in, death is technically murder. Most juries in England, however, prefer to return a verdict of manslaughter.

TRADE-IN PLANS.

A Kansas City autodealer has a novel way of determining the trade-in price for a used car. His plan is to clip from the daily newspaper a list of want ads offering for sale a certain automobile of a particular model. The average price listed for these cars is the amount he allows on a trade-in.



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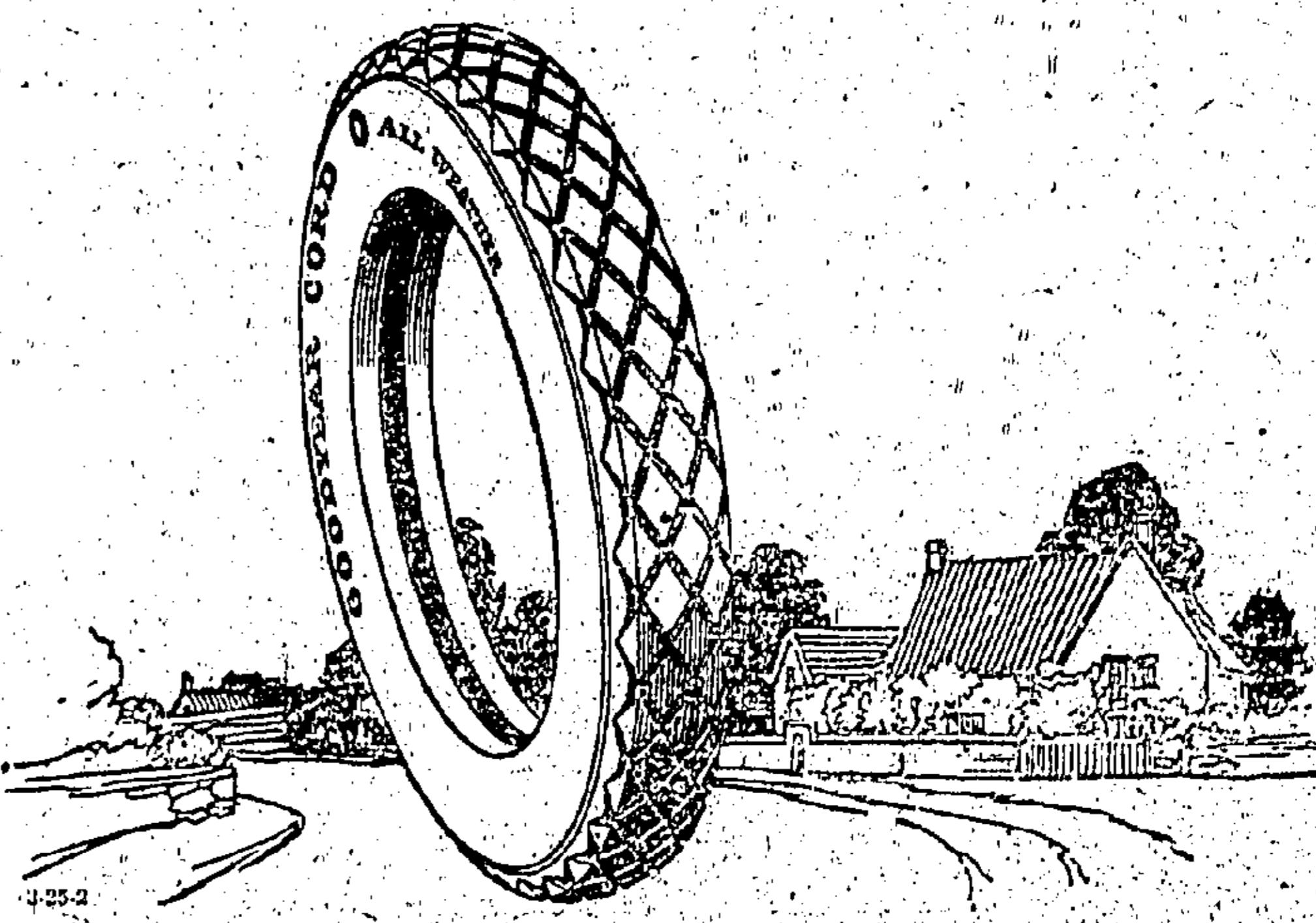
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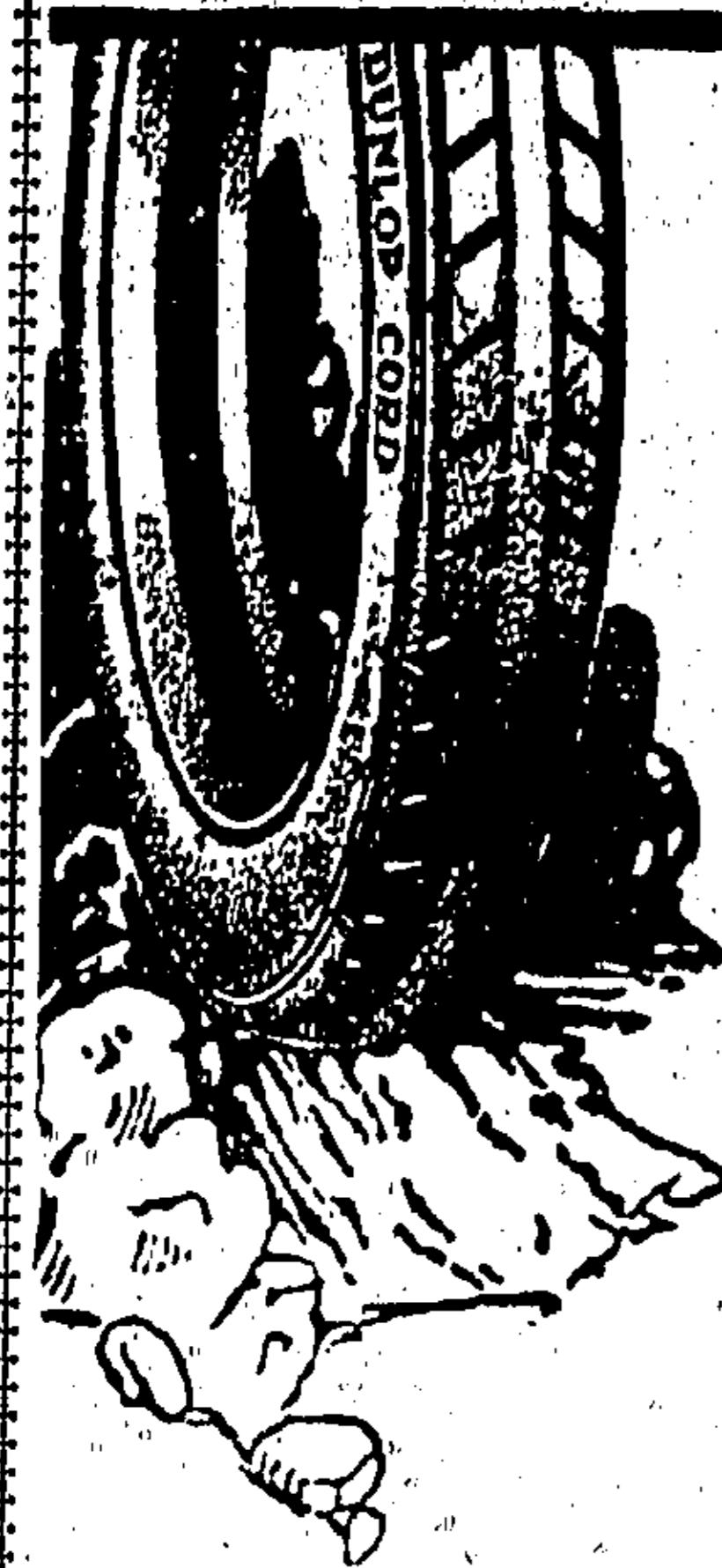
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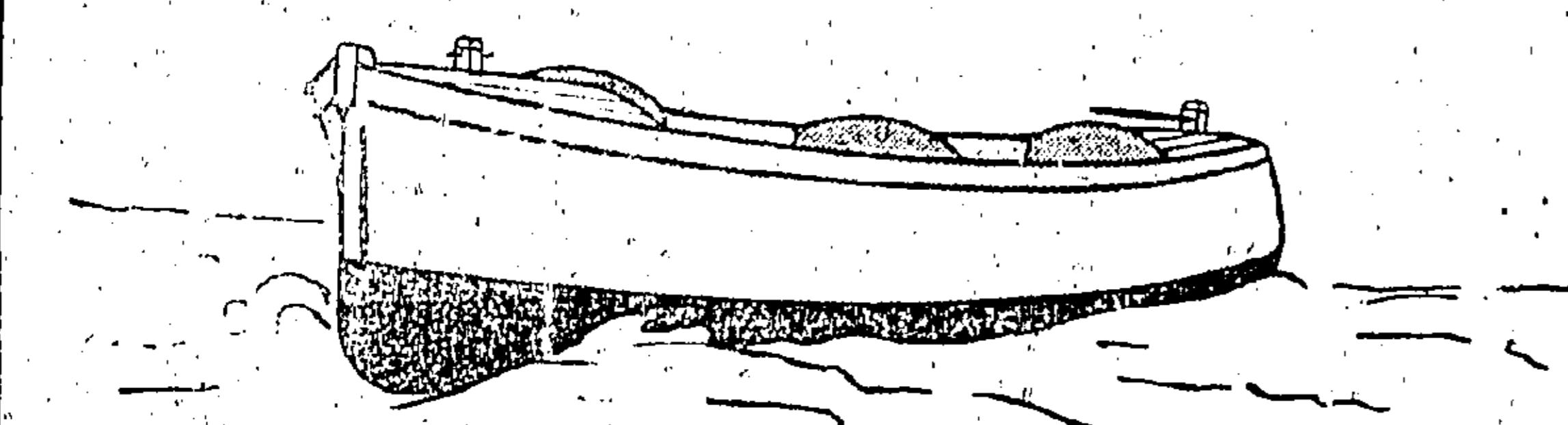
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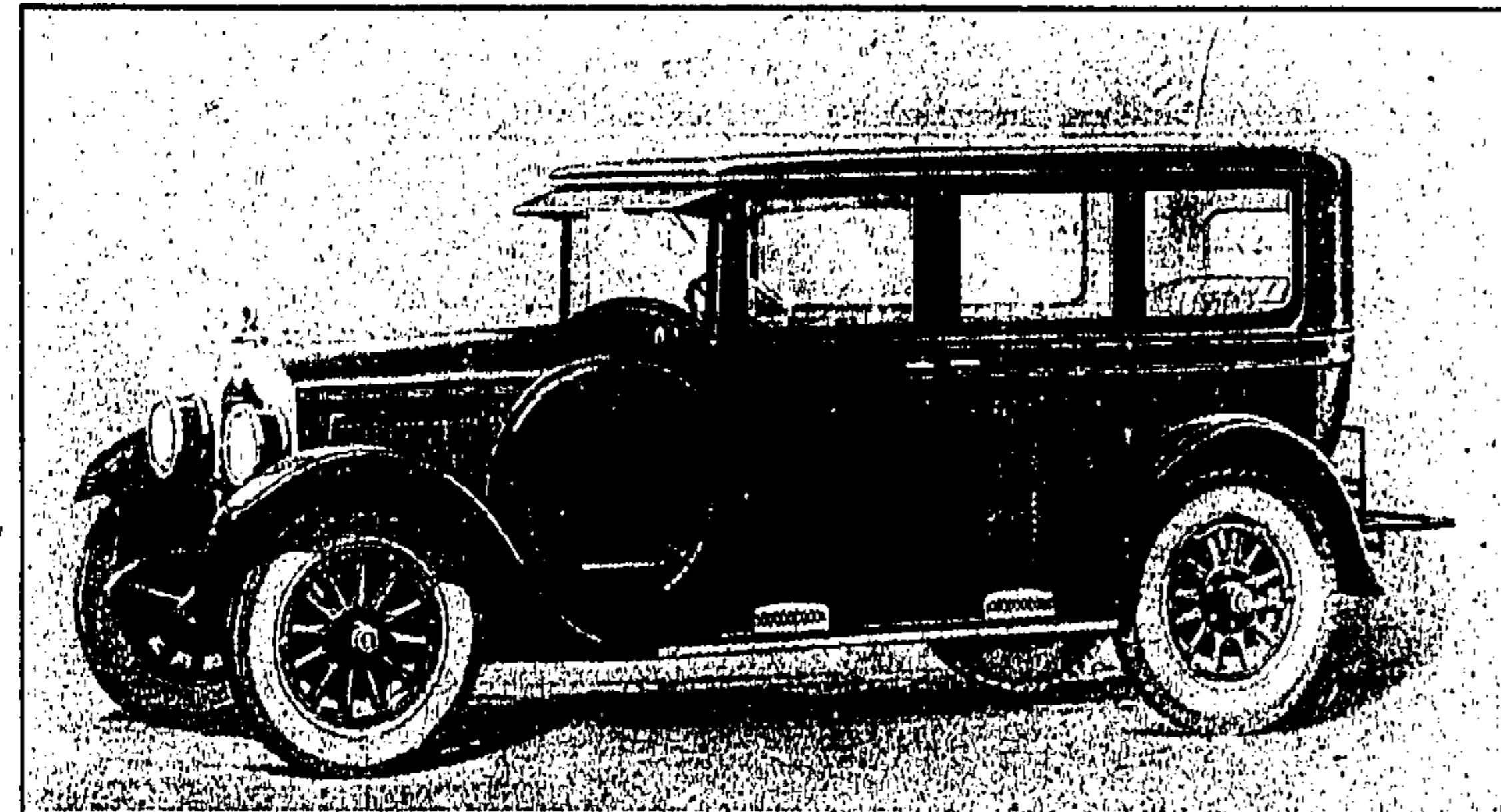
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And in case you don't believe me,
I'll explain it all to you!
It has running boards that do not run, wings that cannot fly,
Tyres which never tire, and
pifers that don't, pliy!

* * *
There's nuts that have no kernels,
washers that don't wash,
Crankshafts that aren't cranky
(Oh! Isn't this some bosh!)
There's wires that aren't delivered,
bodies without legs,
Bushes with no berries on, and
yokes that have no eggs!

* * *
There's cork without the bottles,
tubes that have no trains,
Drives that take you nowhere (this
taxes all my brains!)
There's housings with no lodgers,
brake shoes without feet,
Hose that ladies would not wear,
and drums you cannot beat!

* * *
There's worms that do not wriggle,
shackles without meat
(This verse'll make you giggle,
so hold tightly to your seat!)
There's stays that have no laces,
flywheels with no flies,
Shims that cannot shimmy, and
balloons that never rise!

* * *
There's links you can't play golf
on, bars that don't sell beer,
Joints that make no gravy (by
Jove! that makes me quer),
There's masts with no flags flying,
retainers without fees,
Liners that have never sailed,
and bonnets without bees!

* * *
There's guards that have no rifle,
spokes that never speak,
Frames without a picture, and caps
that have no peak!
There's dickeys, but not dickey birds,
pipes you cannot smoke
(This rhyme is getting much too

* * *
Well, there, at any rate I've proved,
that what I said is true!
The Morris car . . . "What's that
you say. That I'm a washout
too?"
I'd have you know, ungrateful
sir, my speedo's registered
Exactly ninety thousand . . .
(Ed.: "Get out! You've got
the bird! P.") G. Clarke in the
Morris Owner.

GOBI DESERT.

ANOTHER EXPEDITION.

Scientists from the American Museum of Natural History will this summer make a fourth invasion of the Gobi Desert in Central Asia "which will be more spectacular and also more difficult than any we have had," writes Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews, leader of the expedition, in a letter to Frederick J. Hayes, president of Dodge Brothers, Inc. While Dr. Andrews and his party made numerous finds of great scientific value, the incident that attracted most attention was their discovery of a nest of dinosaur-eggs ten million years old.

Dr. Andrews' interesting comment in regard to the coming expedition was made in a letter ordering four additional Dodge Brothers cars, making nine in all which will be taken into the desert on the next trip. Commenting on this phase of the work, Dr. Andrews said:

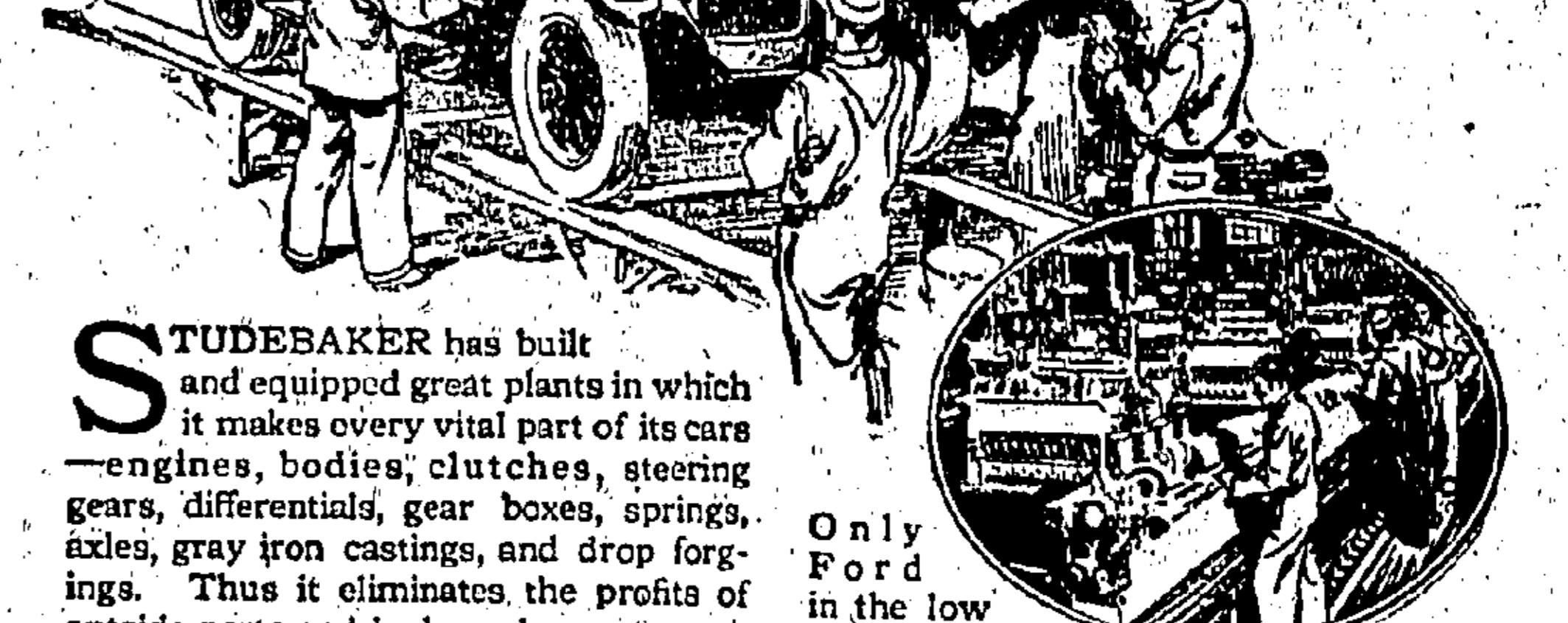
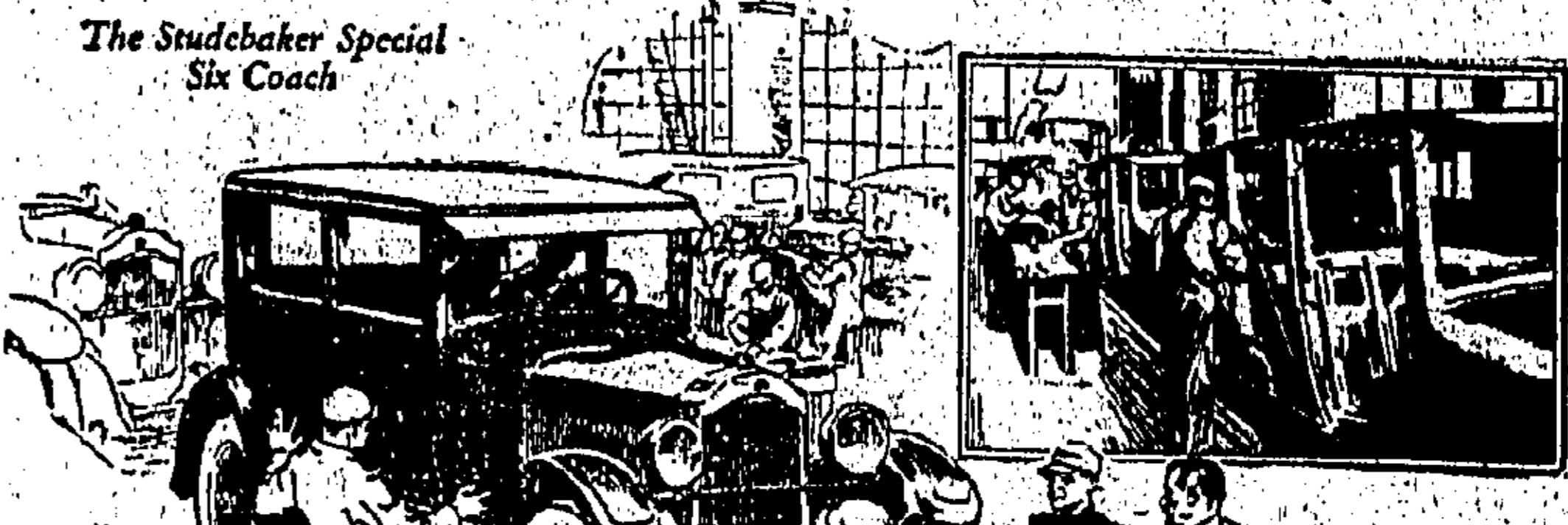
"Through the use of motor cars, the first that ever went into that region, we were able to accomplish in five months what would have required ten years had we relied on camels which, until our experiment with automobiles, were the only means of transportation in that part of the world. We used Dodge Brothers cars exclusively because we tried them out and found they were the only automobiles that would stand up under the strain put upon them."

"We subjected the cars to severe punishment, and they did everything we asked of them. I want to put in an order for four more. These will be for our this year's work, giving us a fleet of nine Dodge Brothers cars. I should appreciate it if you would ship these cars at once as they must be in Peking by April 15 for a trip which will be more spectacular and also more difficult than any we have had."

Fascinating moving pictures of the scientists at work in the Gobi Desert are being shown by Dr. Andrews in the course of a lecture tour covering most of the United States.

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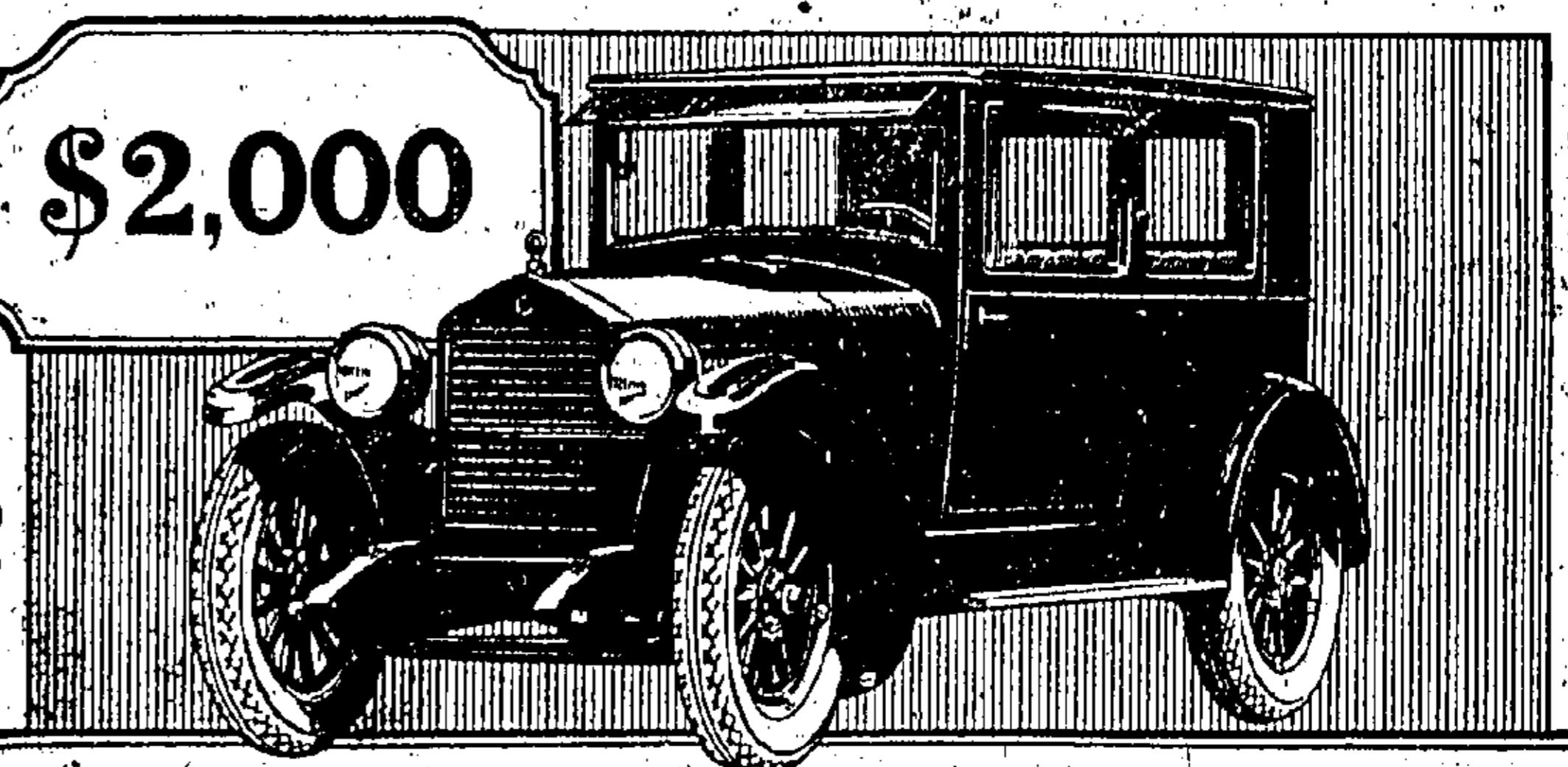
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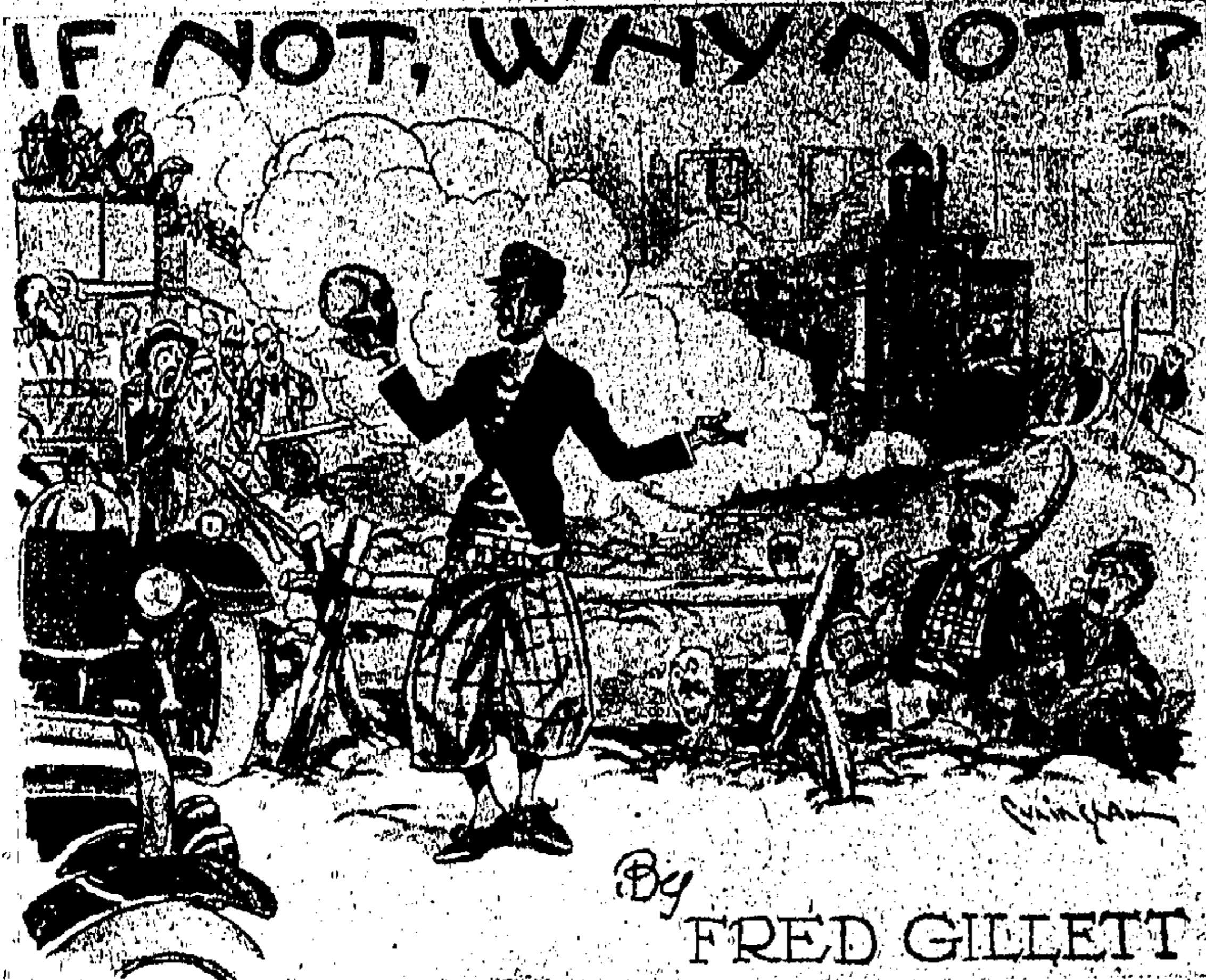
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HEAVY TAX RETURNS.
Gasoline tax collections for the state of Indiana for the second quarter of 1925 amounted to \$1,812,026.97, showing an increase of \$665,595.66 over last year's second quarter.

CENTRE ROAD GUIDES.
Illuminated traffic and street guides, placed in the centre of intersections, are replacing the old lamp post and its signs. The guides act also as dummy traffic cops.

BIG SHRINE TREK.
Shrines from all part of the country will be burning up the highways leading to Los Angeles in June. Many groups will form caravans that will make sightseeing trips across the country.



By FRED GILLETT

Ever since I heard that Hamlet had taken to wearing plus-fours on the stage in place of the conventional black doublet and hose I had been intrigued to know what his next move might be. For if plus-fours and a pull-over, why not live up to them and acquire the rest of the outfit? For a man in plus-fours without a car is like Hamlet without the Prince of Denmark.

The Moody Dane.

It was not easy to obtain an interview with the Moody Dane at his Doorn-like isolation at Elsinore. However, by buttonholing that old gossip Polonius and explaining my mission, I was admitted by the stage door, and found the late Prince of Denmark strolling on the battlements, accompanied by his sparring partner Horatio—the latter wearing balloon-like, low-pressure Oxford trousers.

"Most potent, grave and reverend seigneurs," I began, wishing to say something Shakespearean. "Marry come up, go to odds bodykins and all that sort of thing, don't you know?"

"Hush!" said Horatio. "Don't talk Elizabethan to him or you'll start him soliloquising. We are trying to break him of that habit. We are trying to instil some cheerfulness into him by bringing him up-to-date. Get a bit of the 1926 model into your conversation."

"Right-ho!" changing my tone and double-declutching my language, as it were. "How frightfully are you, awfully dear old thing, what?"

"Old thing? These things are new and dear at that. Methinks they are down-gived at the knees. Are these such stuff as modern bags are made of? I would the fair Ophelia saw me now, burgeoed in bags that beat Old Bond Street's best. She might be moved to bid me hoist my sticks, pull up my socks and haste to press my suit?"

So soliloquised the Moody Dane, regarding his plus-fours with some approval.

"How long has this fit been on him?" I asked.

"A fit, yet not a fit. That is the question," mused Hamlet, regarding his baggy knees dubiously. "Seest thou these togs, Horatio? How can a man soliloquise in these?"

"My lord, such splendid bags here never run, not even on a grouse moor. Therefore grease less, my lord."

"Methinks, like charity, they cover a multitude of shins," mused the Dane.

To Business.

"My lord Hamlet," I interrupted, "I did not travel all this way to hear speeches. I am here to talk business."

"You are a traveller—a commercial one? You come to sell me something up-to-date? What is your line? I'll be no more a

clothes-line to hang plus-fours on."

"I am no salesman, noble prince," I said. "Though I write lines, I do not always sell them. But I'm intrigued about those plus-fours of yours, and it seems to me thusly. If you don plus-fours why not do as the rest of the gay and gallant plus-four brigade, and buy a motor car? There, I've said it now."

"And why not?" "Because a good car would always get you home."

"The project grows on me." "And then the Queen, your mother, think of her under an all-weather hood."

"Auto-mobled queen, that's good as Shakespeare said."

The New Grave-Digger.

"And your friend the grave-digger. You'd come across him in the Strand or Piccadilly whenever the road was up—that is to say all the year round. Why, man, 'twould be a clean anachronism! What would that silvered ghost, my father, say?"

"Swear!" sounded a sepulchral voice.

"That's the old man on his haunting rounds," exclaimed Hamlet. "On point duty from midnight until dawn the poor old ghost must walk. It makes him—"

"Swear!" again emphatically from the ghost.

"Well, said old gudgeon pin," said Horatio cheerfully. "Canst travel in the crank so fast?"

"Never mind him," I put in. "What about this motor car business?"

"No, sir," said Hamlet. "There's been enough trouble in our family without introducing a combustion engine."

"That's easily arranged. We'll sell him a Plus-Ford."

"But what about Shakespeare?"

"Wouldn't he object to all these triflings with the text?"

"Not he. He's had his play performed in plus-fours, so the introduction of other anachronisms couldn't matter. So, as I say, sir—if plus-fours, why not a motor car?"

"How?"

"Why, he walks, does he not?"

"Nightly."

"Buy a car. Drive him. Then he needn't."

The Deal Proceedeth.

"There's more in this than meets the eye," said Hamlet. "There are more things nowadays on the road, Horatio, than were ever dreamed by a velocipede. What think you of this scheme?"

"A d'good idea—that is to say, a consummation devoutly to be wished," said Horatio.

"And, think, Mr. Hamlet," I added, following up the impression I had made on his vacillating mind. "You could take Miss Ophelia out for afternoon tea runs to Burford Bridge and Wisley Hill. Didn't you once tell her to go to a nunnery?"

"But how did you manage that, sir? Thought you were dead?"

"No, my boy. The ghost no longer walks. I'm no longer a ghost. Since I bought a car I've ceased to be a perturbed, protesting, perishing, peripatetic pedestrian."

(From "The Morris Owner" by special permission.)

BERLIN TAXI RULES.

New taxicab regulations in Berlin admit to traffic large motor cabs, small motor cabs and motorcycle cabs. All of the cabs must carry the same type of taximeters, but while drivers of large motor cabs can demand the full indicated charge, those of small cabs can ask only 75 per cent, and drivers of motorcycle cabs only 50 per cent.

RECORD MOTOR EXPORTS.

Motor vehicle manufacturers in the United States have established new export records in December both for motor cars and motor trucks. There were 31,110 cars and 10,410 trucks exported from United States and Canadian ports. These figures do not include the motor vehicles of American make assembled abroad.

"CAREFUL WALKERS."

When pedestrians were brought before a Washington (D.C.) judge recently for "jaywalking," he organized the "Careful Walkers' Club" with administration of this oath: "I solemnly promise I will not deliberately violate any of the traffic regulations made relative to pedestrian control."

IMPORTANCE OF "CRACKED" PETROL

A REDISCOVERY BY THE U. S. MOTORIST.

A development in the oil industry as important as the discovery of the "cracking" process in refining is the rediscovery of "cracked" petrol by the American motorist. To understand the importance of cracked petrol one must begin with definitions. When crude oil is first heated in the still the volatile fractions (which are called petrol and paraffin in this country and gasoline and kerosene in America) are vapourised off, leaving a residual oil which, in the case of heavy crude oils, is generally used as fuel oil for burning under boilers. This residual oil, by various processes which have now been perfected by refiners, can be cracked—that is, distilled under pressure—so as to yield more petrol and a still heavier residual. Hence the name "cracked" petrol or gasoline, as against the "straight run" petrol or gasoline which is vaporised off in the first process. It was only in 1920 that the production of cracked petrol began to assume commercial importance.

If it can be proved that cracked petrol of all descriptions—that is, from whatever kind of crude oil it is derived—is not such a bad "knock" as straight-run petrol, then every oil refinery in the world will sooner or later install a cracking plant. The anti-knock properties are not an easy question for the chemist or the motor engineer to decide. Knocking depends upon the chemical composition of the crude oil. In general, petroils are composed of four classes of hydrocarbons—paraffins, olefines, naphthenes, and aromatics. It is now well established that the paraffins are worse knockers than the other hydrocarbons, and that cracked petrol contains large proportions of the olefines and naphthenes, and in many cases moderate amounts of the aromatics. The anti-knock properties of cracked petrol depend ultimately on the character of crude oil and on the type of cracking process employed, but there is no denying that some cracked petroils are exceptionally good motor fuels.

The development of the cracking process has enabled the increased demand for petrol to be met without proportionately increasing the supply of crude oil. In other words, the supply of crude oil has been made to go further by yielding a larger percentage of petrol. For the years ending September, 1921, 1922, and 1923, the percentage of petrol recovered from a barrel of crude oil in American refineries varied from 26.2 to 26.3 per cent. For the twelve months ending September 1924, the percentage of petrol recovered was 27.8 and for the year ending September, 1925, 32.9 of the quantity of crude oil produced. Whilst the production of crude oil in America in September of this year was only 5.6 per cent greater than in September, 1924, the production of petrol was 21 per cent greater. Whereas the crude oil output of the United States for the year to September, last is 58.6 per cent greater than in the year ending September, 1921, when the cracking process had just begun to assume large proportions, the petrol output is 98.2 per cent greater. The economic importance of this development of the cracking process can hardly be over-estimated. It means that the consumer of petrol need no longer fear any immediate shortage of supplies. It means, also, that the American producers could stop bringing in new wells for a year and yet the American motorists' needs could be met by using up stocks and producing more cracked petrol.

What has hitherto prevented a more rapid development of the cracking process has been the popular estimation of the quality of cracked petrol. It has been objected that cracked petrol had an evil smell, an unpleasant colour, and was less volatile, so preventing "easy starting" in the motor-car. These objections have now been largely overcome by refiners. Somehow the smell has been avoided or has become ac-

ceptable to American noses; and the American motorist is beginning to find out that cracked petrol gives more power, because it tends to prevent "knocking" in the engine. That is why I described the rediscovery of cracked petrol by the motorist as being as important as the original discovery of the cracking process by the chemist. Originally cracked petrol was mixed with the highly volatile natural gas petrol before being used in the motor-car, but now it is actually being advertised and sold as cracked petrol for its "anti-knock" properties."

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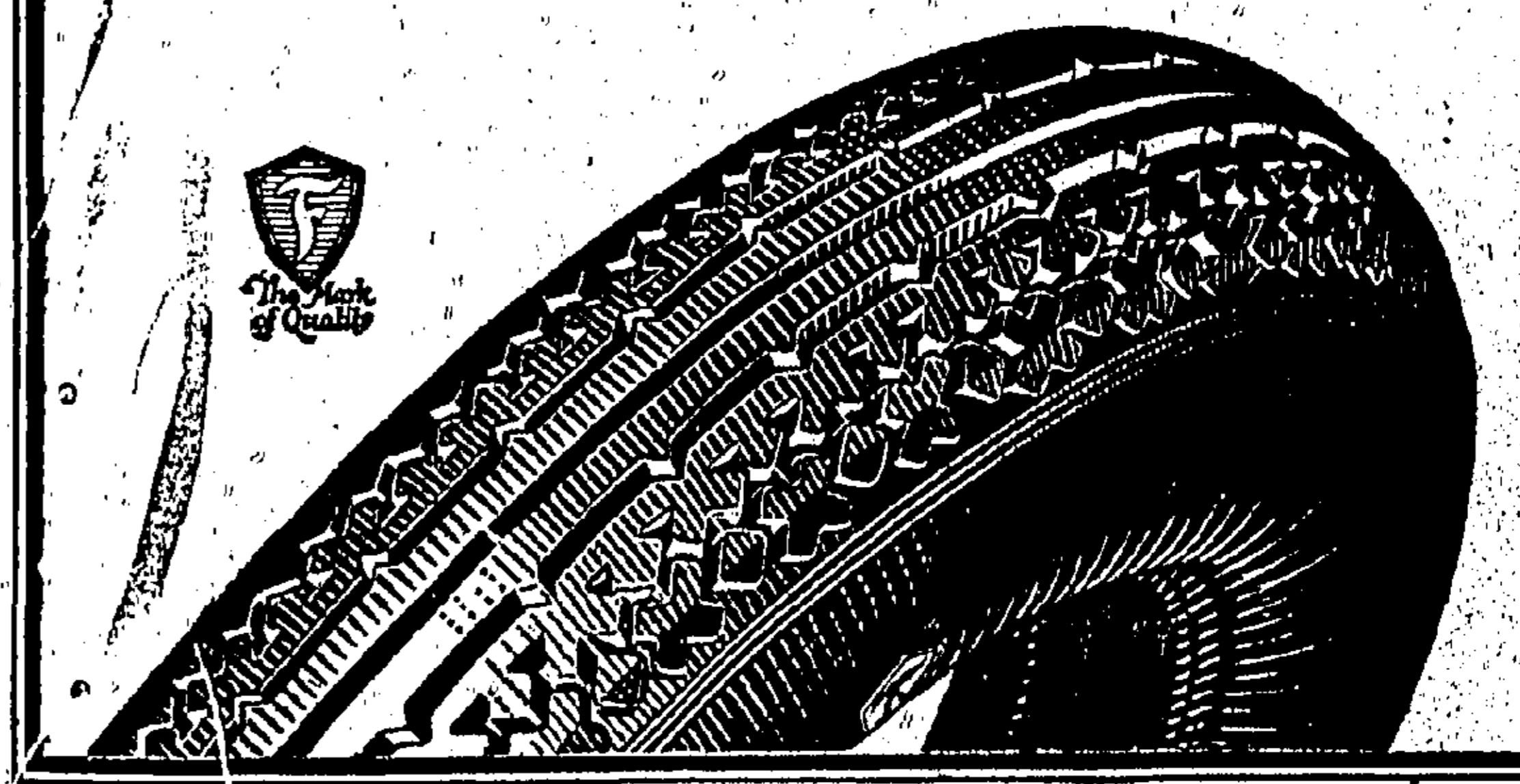
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RECORD MOTOR EXPORTS.

Motor vehicle manufacturers in the United States have established new export records in December both for motor cars and motor trucks. There were 31,110 cars and 10,410 trucks exported from United States and Canadian ports. These figures do not include the motor vehicles of American make assembled abroad.

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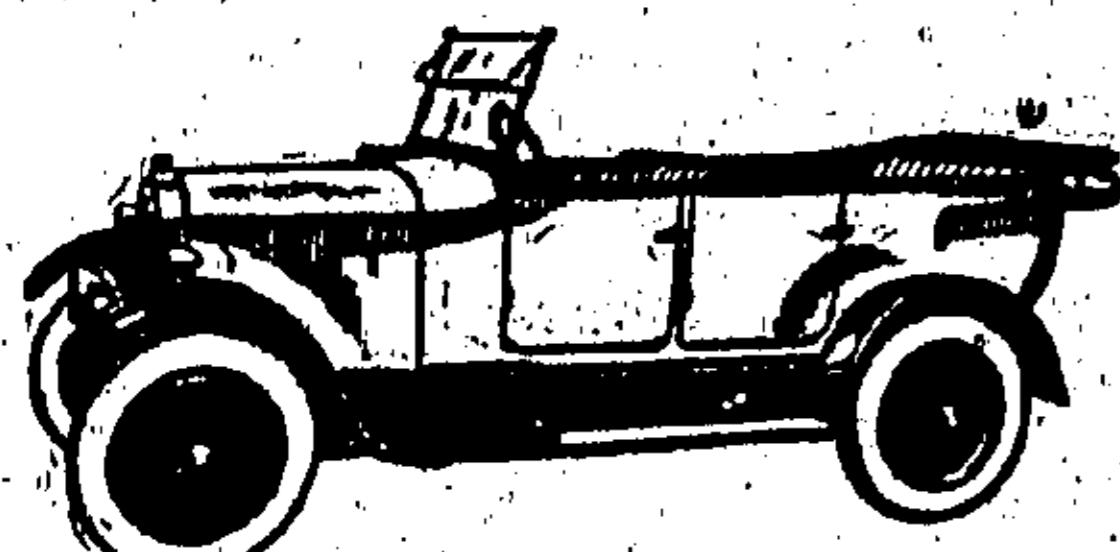
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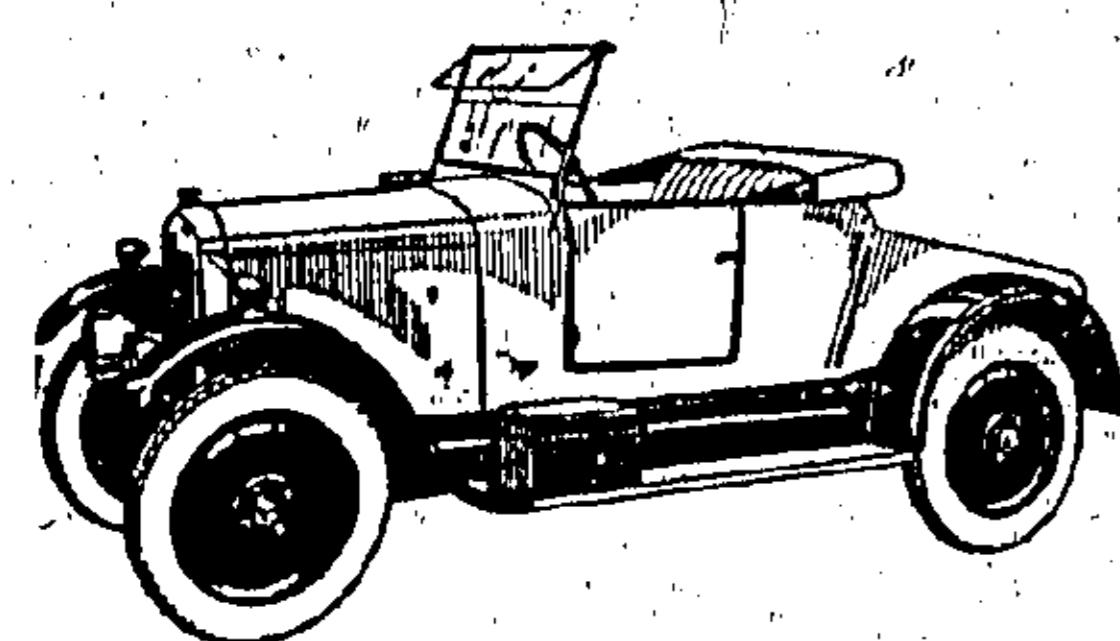
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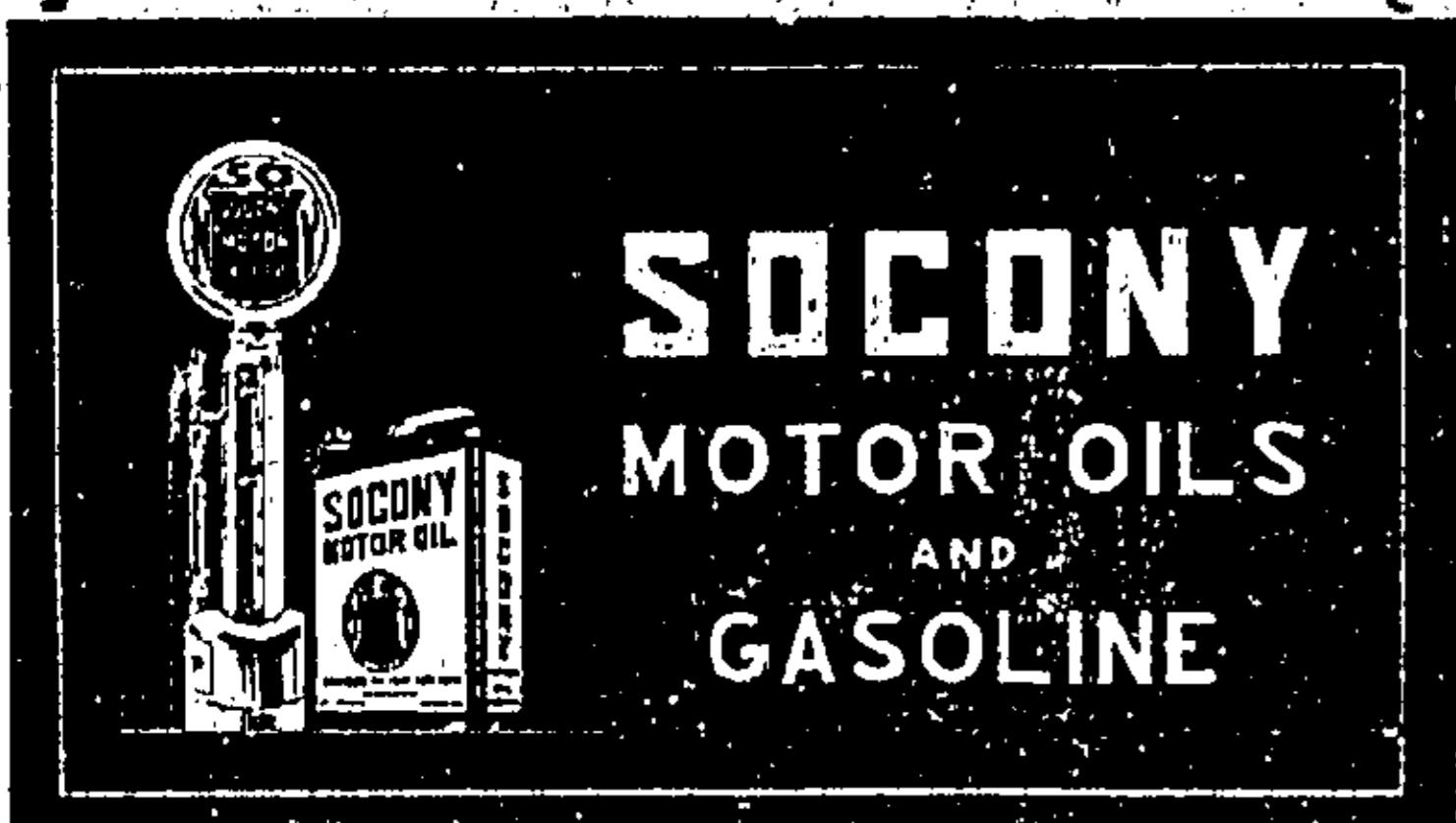


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RAILROADS USE TRUCKS.

Many American railroads have found that motor trucks are an asset to their business and at present 33 railroads in the United States and Canada are using motor trucks as part of their shipping service.

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EVILS OF OVER THIN ENGINE OIL

The liability of excessive wear of parts of engines, which are run with oil that is greatly diluted with unburnt fuel or which is of such inferior quality as to thin excessively when heated, has been greatly stressed of late—possibly even more than the facts warrant, as it is being realized that dirty oil is a more serious evil than oil which is merely too thin.

Viscous Oil for Sealing Pistons.

Important as is the influence on lubrication of overthinnes of oil, its adverse effect upon the tightness of pistons should not be ignored. Piston-rings, in the last analysis, do not make pistons gas-tight in their cylinders. They merely act as supports for the oil that surrounds them and which itself forms the seal which prevents gas leakage. Properly viscous oil holds fast around the rings and resists gas escape, but extremely diluted or heat-thinned oil is blown out and lets the gas by. Low power development in an engine which is running on watery oil may be due more to loss of gases past the pistons than to frictional losses resulting from insufficient lubrication.

Demonstrating the Oil Seal.

To demonstrate the all important part played by the oil film in confining the gases in the cylinder, it is only necessary to handrank an engine just after it has been treated with liquid carbon remover or has had its pistons and rings cleaned of oil in any other way. Resistance to handranking through the compression strokes will be found practically nil, thus indicating a virtually unrestricted escape of gas past the pistons.

Diluted Oil "Pumps" Too Freely.

Oil that is too thin to hold fast around piston rings is free to move upward into the cylinder clearance spaces, under the suction acting during the charging strokes and this fact accounts for the excessive tendency to foul spark-plugs and to collect carbon deposits, on the part of engines which are run on greatly diluted oil or oil which cannot successfully withstand high temperatures. If the oil used is not of good quality or if it is not renewed when its useful properties have been lost, an engine will fail off in power and will give ignition and carbon trouble, not to speak of wearing out fast. The recent stress placed upon the dilution of

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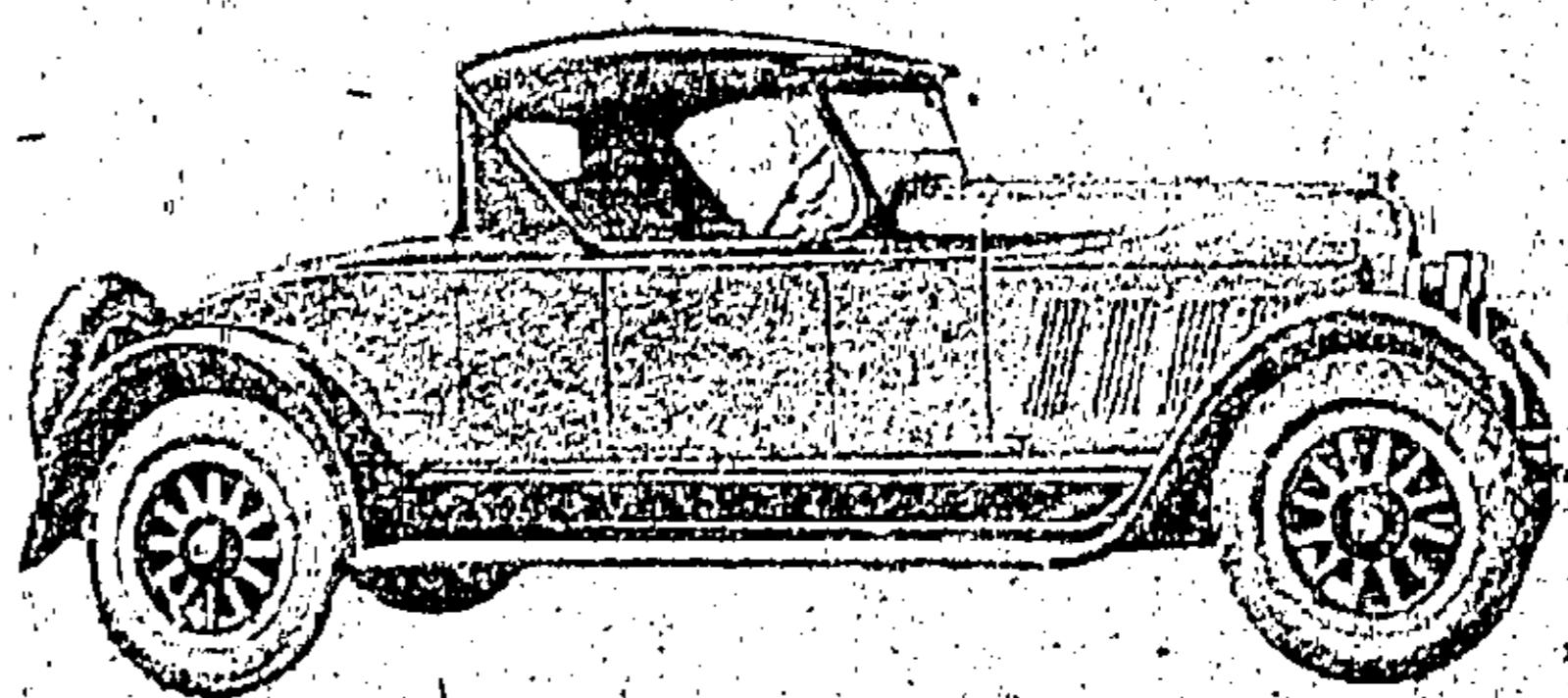
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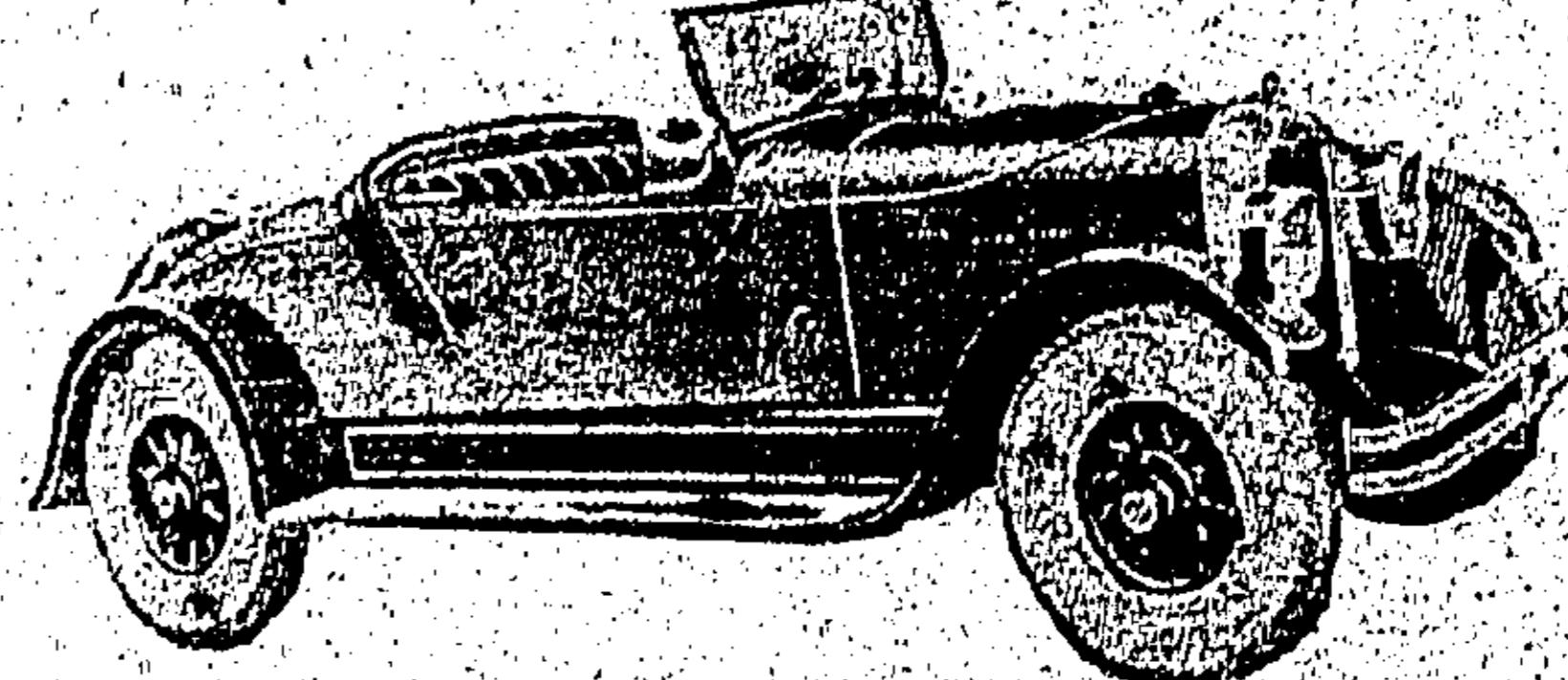
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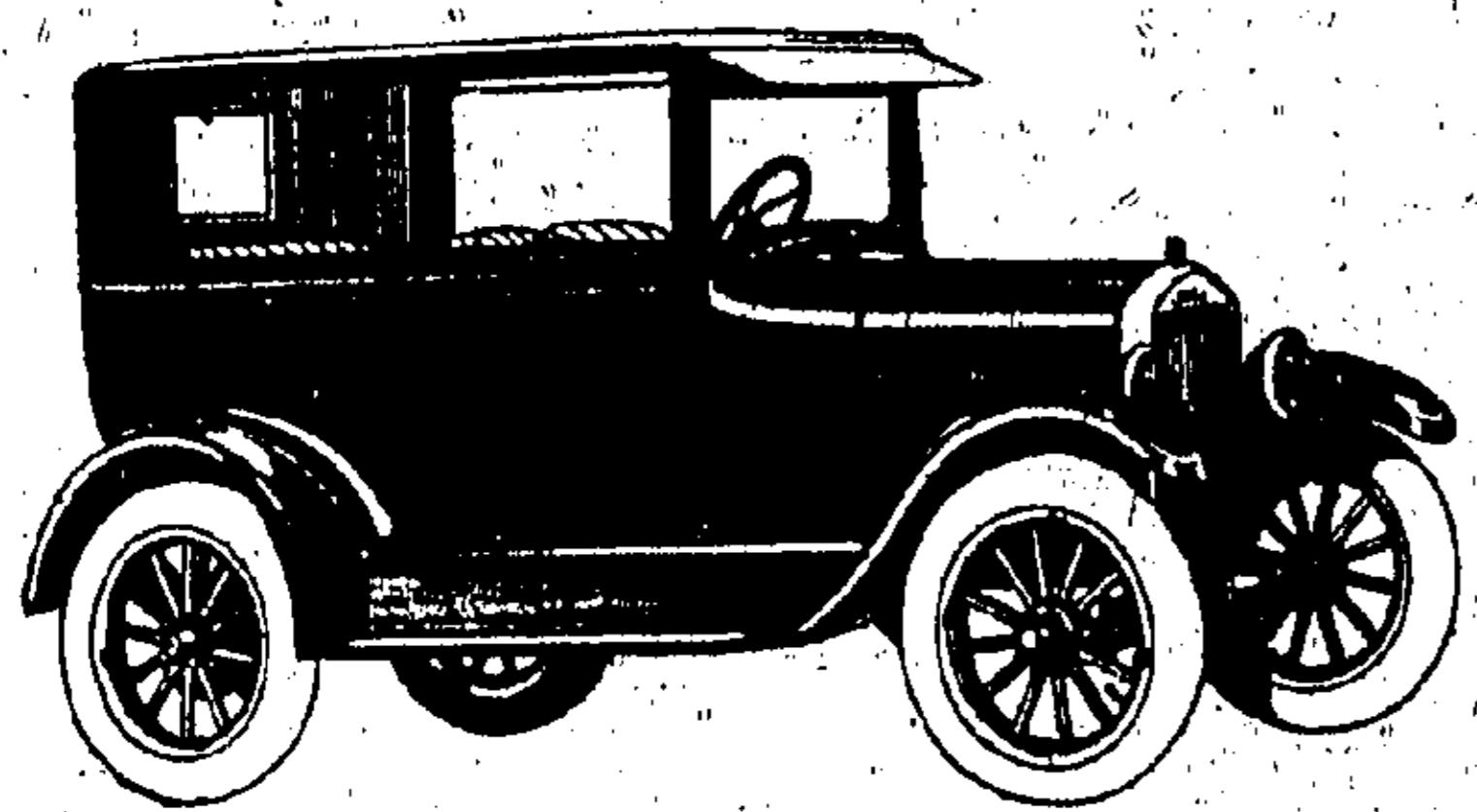
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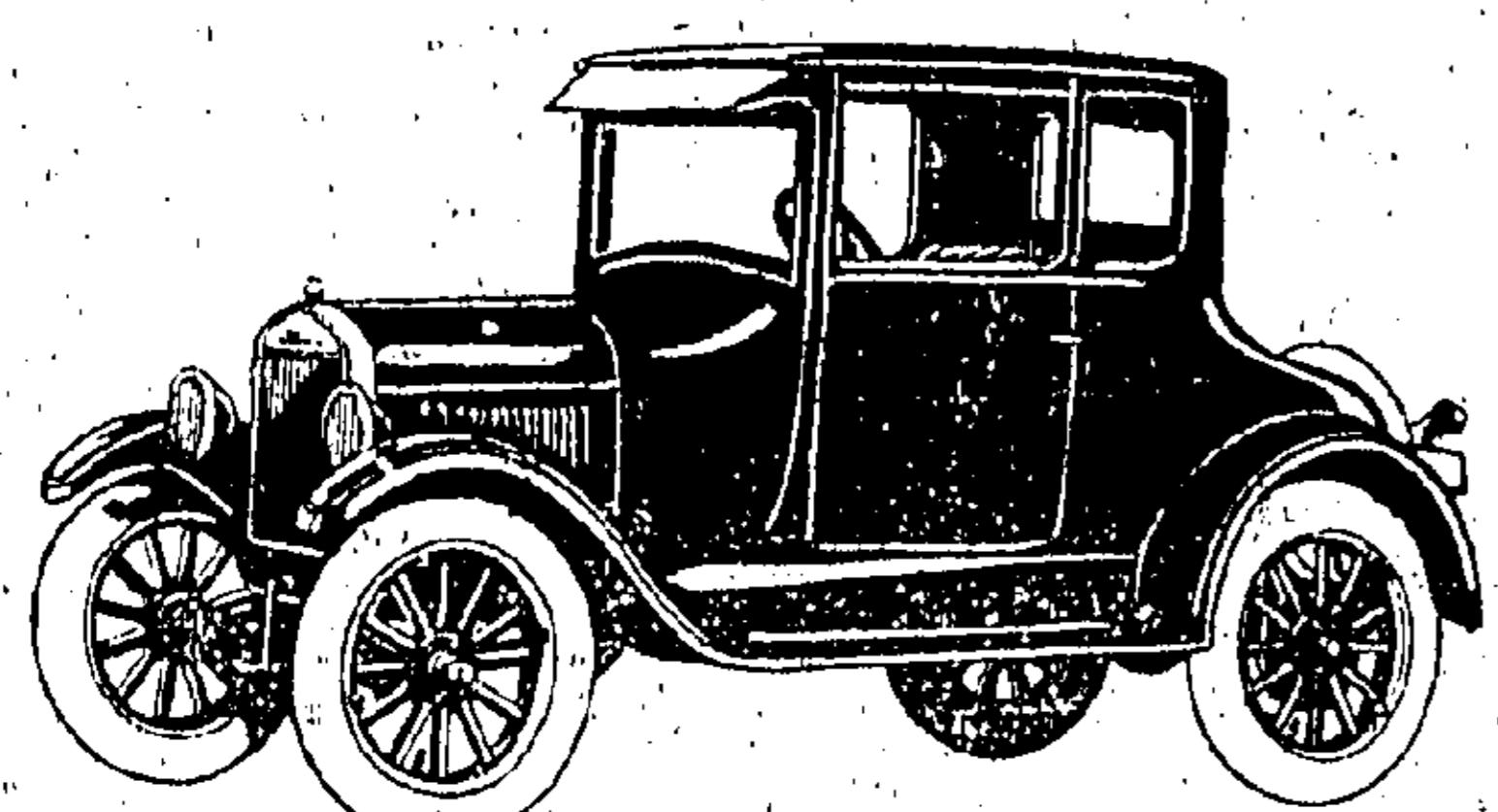
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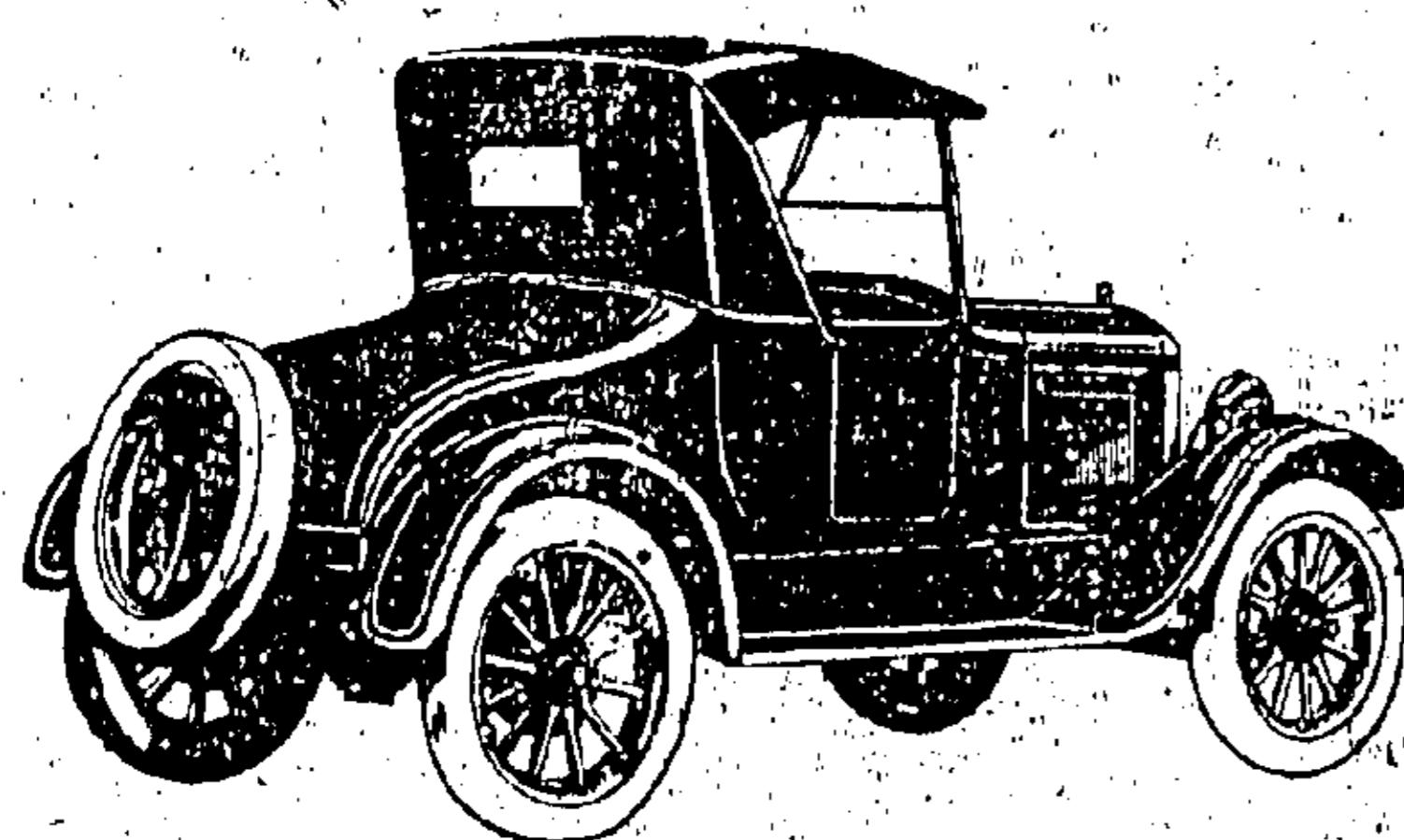
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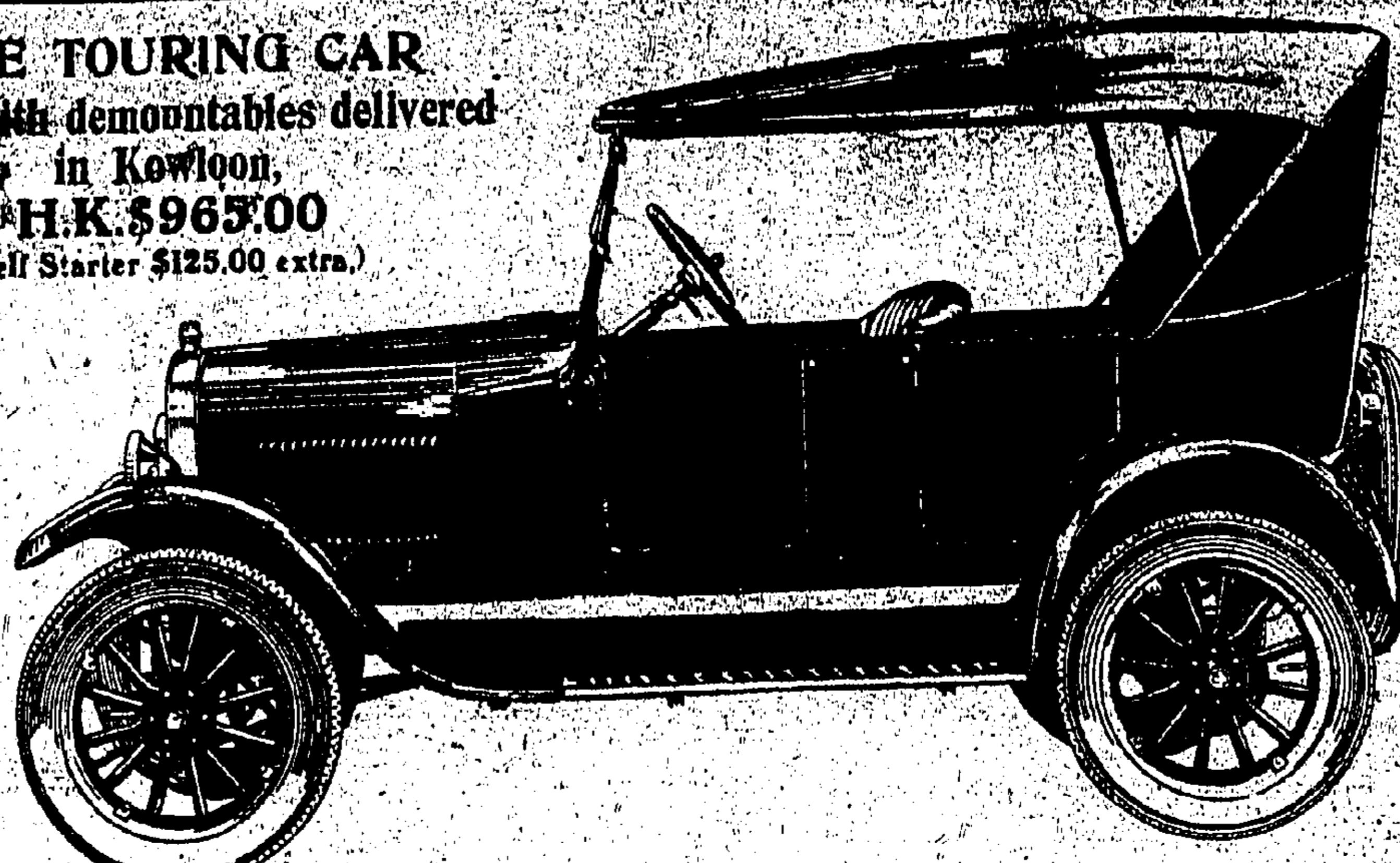
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DO WE LOVE?

By the Rev. Geo. Arrowsmith, M.A.

There are some real Christian people who feel that they cannot truly say that they love God. They look within and they are horrified at their coldness and want of affection towards their Heavenly Father. As they think of Him they feel no thrill run through their being as they do when they contemplate some dear earthly friend; their eye does not glow nor their pulse quicken when they hear His name mentioned. They think of the words of Jesus, "He that loveth father or mother more than Me, is not worthy of Me," and their heart sinks within them as they realise how immeasurably above them is this standard of affection. They say, "How can I love deeply someone I have never seen? God is an invisible Spirit, how can I be expected to love such an abstract personality?" People who reason in this way have an altogether wrong conception of love.

"To love" is a verb which we use very loosely, but we may give it two general meanings. First, it is the heart's delight in that which pleases the senses—the glutton loves the savoury dish, the artist loves the beauties of nature, and so on. Moreover, it will affect our relationship to each other. A man will love a pretty face, it will create in him a passion of devotion. But how passing and unreal it often is: let the face become old and wrinkled, and then where is his love? Love of the external and visible is the lowest type of love.

Let us now think of the highest form of affection that man can have: it is love of the inward, of the unseen and spiritual. In the Painted Hall of the Naval College, Greenwich, there is a picture at which no Britisher can look without feeling deeply moved. It depicts the death scene of Nelson. There he lies in the murky gloom of the cockpit of the "Victory" surrounded by some of his devoted officers and crew, who are bending over him, looks of love and sorrow. What was it that inspired such love for Nelson in the hearts of all who came into contact with

HOURS OF LABOUR.

CONCLUSION OF LONDON CONFERENCE.

Rugby, March 19.

The Conference of Ministers of Labour of hours of industry, which opened last Monday in London, concluded its sittings at 2.30 this morning.

Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, the British Minister of Labour, in closing the Conference said the "British Government had decided to convene this Conference because it desired to see how far it was possible to secure agreement amongst the principal industrial States as to the principles upon which there could be based an international agreement for the regulation of the hours of labour. This was without prejudice to other nations. It is no doubt desirable to obtain an agreement among others than those invited but the possibility of an agreement among the four nations here present with us, is indispensable if a wider measure of agreement is to be obtained. In particular, the British Government felt it was necessary to examine the difficulties surrounding the Washington Convention and to ascertain to what extent it would be practicable to ensure uniformity of interpretation, combined with assurances as to effective operation and enforcement. I am sure we all agree that the Conference has been able greatly to advance the consideration of the whole question of hours of labour from the international standpoint, and I acknowledge with cordiality and gratitude the co-operation of my colleagues to that end."

The record of the agreements reached by Conference was afterwards signed. The representatives of the Governments participating in the Conference undertook to report these agreements to their respective Governments, so that those Governments who have not ratified the Washington Convention may be in a position to proceed

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, March 19.
Today's exchange rates are as follows:

Paris	136.4
Brussels	124
Amsterdam	12.13
Berlin	20.42
Copenhagen	18.63
Vienna	34.60
Helsingfors	193
Lisbon	2.2
Buenos Aires	44.5/16
Shanghai	3/0/4
Yokohama	1/10/4
New York	4.86 1/4
Geneva	25.25
Milan	121
Stockholm	18.14
Oslo	22.55
Prague	164.4
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London.—Hair waving as practised by the women in the year 2250 B.C. was not altogether dissimilar to the modes of to-day, is the deduction made by Leonard Woolley, who has been excavating at Ur of the Chaldees, in Mesopotamia. While searching for the palace of Dungi, son of the builder of the great ziggurat, or temple, who reigned 4176 years ago, Woolley and his fellow workers came across what is considered the most beautiful example of Sumerian sculpture ever unearthed—the head of the Moon goddess. The hair is an elaborately waved coiffure.

with their consideration of the question of ratification of the Washington Convention. The conclusions of the Conference will also be reported formally to the International Labour Office by the British Government, which took the initiative in summoning the Conference.—British Wireless.

GINGER INDUSTRY.

AN OPENING FOR HONGKONG.

In view of the fact that the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak has given notice of a question to the Government asking what steps are being taken to assist the cultivation and growth of ginger root and to foster the ginger industry in the New Territories, more than usual interest attaches to some comment on this subject in the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, an advance proof of which has been forwarded to us. The Chamber statement is in the following terms:

"The members of the Shun Shau Tong, the Preserved Ginger Association, addressed a circular to the Chamber and all export firms on August 20 stating that the new season preserved ginger of the current year—both wet and dry, and both packed in casks and in cases—contracted for with foreign firms, could not be delivered during the months of August and September, as, unfortunately, owing to the Strike in Hongkong, many workers had stopped work and left the Colony. Moreover, the writers added, 'the Canton Authorities have prohibited the exportation of goods to Hongkong and have also stopped all steamer traffic between Canton and Hongkong. As you are aware, though preserved in Hongkong, all ginger is imported from Canton. Though conditions in this Colony are gradually becoming normal, the importation of raw ginger from Canton is still impossible. Under these circumstances we are unable to deliver the goods at the above mentioned times and hope you will inform buyers and consumers abroad to this effect. As soon as conditions improve, every effort will be made to make deliveries under contracts as early as possible.'

"In this connection the Export Sub-Committee discussed the practicability of promoting the growing of ginger in the New Territories, and as a result a letter was addressed to the Government on September 28, stating that the Chamber had recently had under consideration information from the Chinese preserved ginger dealers, stating that no raw ginger was available for this market owing to the non-arrival of supplies, due to the strike, boycott and generally disturbed conditions in South China, and it was a matter of common knowledge that large stocks were lying rotting in the interior for the same reasons. The Trade Returns for 1924, showed that the value of the exports of ginger from Hongkong in that year amounted to £314,023, of which £139,570 went to the United Kingdom; £53,107, to Australia; £10,130, to New Zealand; £30,002, to the United States of America; £43,959, to Holland, and £10,378, to Germany.

"It was understood that increasing quantities of ginger were

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grown in the New Territories, where the soil had proved suitable.

The Chamber, therefore, ventured to suggest to the Government that enquiries should be made as to the possibility of developing this valuable industry in the New Territories, where cultivators would be working under very favourable conditions as compared with the interior of China, as they would have a considerable market at their doors and enjoy freedom from the continual interference with their operations which so unhappily persisted in China. At the same time, the ginger preserving industry in Hongkong and Kowloon would gain the advantage of more regular supplies, and the export trade in the commodity would not suffer the damage which must ensue when the demand of overseas markets was entirely disappointed at a period when supplies were expected. It is hoped that, at a convenient opportunity, the Government will thoroughly investigate this question."

RUSSIAN PLOT.

SENSATIONAL SHANGHAI ARRESTS.

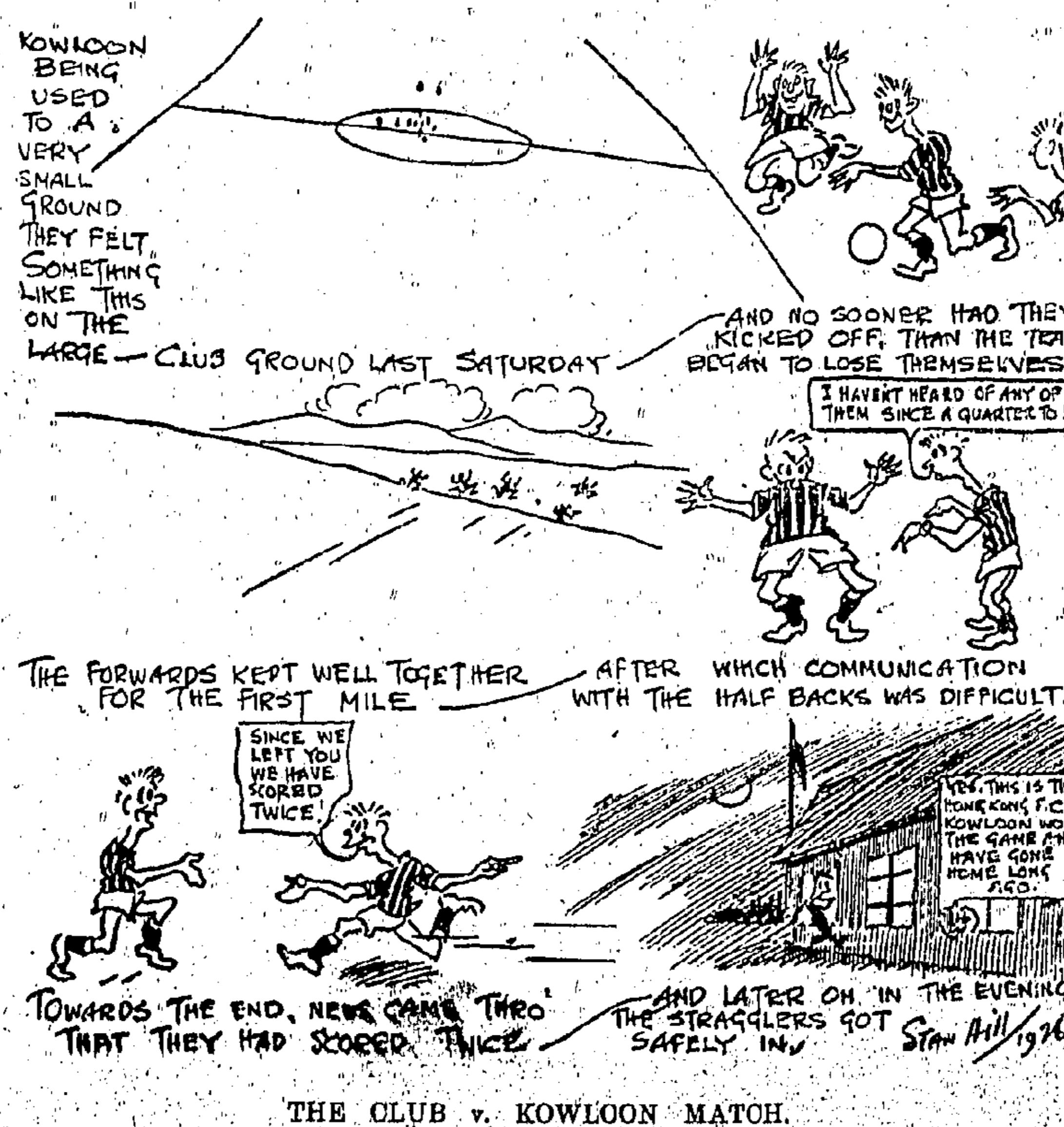
A Bolshevik naval flag, small red flags, a considerable quantity of inflammatory literature, six automatic pistols, six pistol magazines and 300 rounds of ammunition were a small part of the immense haul of booty seized by Det-Sgt. Repas and a squad of the Shanghai Municipal Police when they raided the house at 15 Dent Road last Saturday evening and arrested two men, both of whom are thought to be Soviet agents whose duties are to stir up dissension in China, especially Shanghai and Hongkong.

These two men and the articles referred to, as well as four other Russians, were brought before the Mixed Court on Tuesday and charged with various serious offences.

Formal evidence of arrest was given by Det-Sgt. Repas and the Bench, Messrs. Whitmore and Zau, adjourned the case for special hearing.

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interest. It was actually here that Charles I. bade adieu to his sorrowing children on the eve of his execution in White-hall on that wintry January morning in 1649.

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HEALING BY FEVER.**BELIEF IN MALARIA BENEFITS.**

The belief that fever has healing properties is at least as old as medical science. It is mentioned by Hippocrates, and Galen suggested that paralysis could be cured by malaria.

Some elaborate observations on this method appeared in the London *Lancet* in March and May last year. Very remarkable results have now been obtained by Dr. Nonne at the Hamburg-Eppendorf Nerve Hospital.

Dr. Nonne inoculated 322 paralytics, many of whom were in a helpless state of dementia, with blood drawn from malaria patients. He was able to effect complete cures in 30 per cent. of his cases—complete in the sense that they could be regarded as mentally and physically normal once again and able to follow their everyday vocations.

Among them were an engine driver, a farmer, a South African business man, an industrial magnate, a newspaper proprietor, and an organ builder. It had seemed as though they were doomed to ever-darkening insanity from which death could be the only release, but they are now able to live and work as though their mental faculties had never been impaired.

One of Dr. Nonne's patients was the wife of a physician. She was in such a state of dementia as to be useless for any kind of task and unable to associate with her fellow-beings. She was completely cured, and now helps her husband in his profession, besides doing some business of her own.

Malaria therapy has greater chances of success the earlier it is applied. As paralysis of the insane can be diagnosed much earlier than formerly, an extensive education of this fearful disease would seem to be possible. Only when the disease is far advanced and has become chronic is the malaria treatment useless.

The patient, having been inoculated, develops malaria in the ordinary way, and has to be treated with quinine like any other malaria patient. It was Dr. Nonne's experience that tropical malaria always had a disastrous effect on his patients. He says it is safest to inoculate with blood drawn from cases of non-tropical tertian or quartan malaria—*Manchester Guardian*.

U. S. WANTS CONFERENCE.**WASHINGTON RATHER THAN GENEVA PROPOSED.**

It is learned reliably that President Coolidge has revised his original intention of calling another Disarmament Conference in Washington, on account of the postponement of the Geneva Disarmament Commission.

It is stated that President Coolidge and Mr. Kellogg are seriously weighing the desirability of convoking a separate Washington Conference, because of the following considerations:

1. Further naval limitation should be dealt with by the naval Powers concerned, instead of the League of Nations' Conference, in which the smaller non-naval States participate.

2. American participation in the Geneva Land Arms Conference might possibly draw the United States into distinctly European disputes, in which would be aligned Great Britain and Germany, in opposition to France and the Little Entente.

3. Increased agitation for larger naval appropriations in the United States, which would jeopardise President Coolidge's economy programme, will be increasingly difficult to withstand unless further limitation agreements are actually consummated next year.

4. The desirability of President Coolidge fulfilling previous to the 1926 Congressional elections, his pre-election pledge to assume the leadership of world disarmament.

It is stated that President Coolidge's advisers are urging the consideration of the foregoing as equally potent, whether or not the League's Preparatory Commission meets in May or is indefinitely postponed.

Under the tentative plan President Coolidge would in the summer or autumn invite the major Powers to attend a naval conference, to assemble in Washington in the winter or the spring of 1927.

A MIRACLE CURE.**GIRL Cripple Now Walks.**

After 12 years in irons up to her waist, unable to do more than swing about on crutches, Miss Bertha Johnston, of Summerhill street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, is now showing everyone in the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Great Portland-street, how nicely she can walk.

"It is wonderful to be able to walk," said Miss Johnston to a *Daily Chronicle* representative.

"Before I came to the hospital I felt utterly hopeless. I could hardly move, even on crutches. I waited six months for a vacancy here, but it was not until I was actually a patient, and saw all the wonderful things that were being done, that I realised there might be a chance for me."

"I am 21, and I was afraid that I was too old to be cured, but now I can walk about with a stick without any pain, and within three weeks I hope to return home and show my family what I can do."

WAITING SUFFERERS.

Miss Johnston has had 13 operations, five of which have been taken place since she was admitted to the London hospital last March. Infantile paralysis developed when she was a child of seven.

The cure of this paralysed girl is regarded by the hospital authorities as one of the most remarkable that has ever taken place.

Eight hundred patients suffering from similar disabilities are waiting for admission to the hospital.

"The tragedy is that by the time we are able to admit them it may be too late to save them," the lady Almoner said to *The Daily Chronicle* representative. "We want money for more beds, so that these sufferers may be saved while there is yet time."

RAILWAY RUINATION.**DANGER OF COMPLETE STOPPAGE.**

The affairs of the Kiao-Tsi Railway are in a sorry state, writes a correspondent to the *N. C. Daily News*. For many months most of the goods cars have been used solely for military transportation, only a small fraction of the cars needed for commercial purposes being available. Those few hundred cars, moreover, have been seemingly held for the highest bidder, extra "fees" anywhere up to \$150 being charged per car.

The great advance in shipping charges has had its inevitable effect on living costs and all kinds of food are greatly higher than they were previous to the French occupation.

Now, there comes a report that all the remaining goods cars will shortly be sent to Tsinan. If that is true then all shipments along the line will cease and the railway traffic, now greatly enfeebled, will be completely paralyzed. Merchants, shippers and the general public have been uttering loud complaints against such abuses, but the military have taken little notice.

For some time there have been recurring rumours that the Japanese public here and elsewhere along the Kiao-Tsi line were initiating a movement having as its object the restoration of the railway to Japan, whose operation of it would be in no way comparable to that of the present regime. Naturally, the road officials are not to blame. They are so many figureheads. The staff includes many practical and experienced railway men, but for whom the line would have completely disintegrated long ago.

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The new sports suit can be very chic with its pleated skirt and straight trim corsage. White and fancy woolen materials, dyed Kashas, jerseys, and crepes de chine are all used in turn for these smart little dresses. It is indeed wonderful what variety is achieved with so simple an idea. Even the skirts constantly differ. Knife pleating, carefully pressed, distinguishes one suit, box pleats another. Fine kiltings gathered at the top and left to hang as they choose characterize a third. This one again shows inverted pleats in front, that at the sides, and none at the back. The same with the corsage. On some models in white corduroy it opens over a pleated shirt front. On others it is buttoned straight up to the neck, where it meets the turned back collar; on many more, whether in white or in colour, it is decorated with patch pockets, ornamental buttons, and some charmingly feminine scarf at the neck. All fit closely round the hips, where they may be drawn in by a band of embroidery, by a tiny strap at each side; or by a piece of the material cut on the cross and finely tucked. Sleeves are long and fit the arm closely. Necks are high. Or they may be cut round or in a shallow V, but only to be finished with a scarf or a detached collar daintily finished at the side with a bow. There is indeed something to suit every taste and almost every figure among these practical garments. And a clever woman will vary her wardrobe by choosing two or three tips—in varying materials—to accompany one pleated skirt.

WOMEN GOLFERS' NEW FASHION.

Women are to wear plus fours, identical to all intents and purposes, to those worn by men golfers. There was nothing masculine-looking however, about the mannequin who displayed the newest sort of golfing attire for women, at a recent exhibition. She was wholly attractive despite, and perhaps because of, the big breeches.

The plus four suit for women is completed with a pull-on jumper



Mary Horan.
Where are the stars of yesterday?

Echo answers not, but here are the stars of the future.

These four young women, with two years to go before they leave their teens, are to be stars by 1928, according to Ned Wayburn, producer of reviews and groomer and trainer of musical comedy stars.

They answer the requirements of the American taste. They are typical American girls, with that particular appeal which makes the American public wax in their hands.

They are winsome. They have delicacy. They cannot only dance, sing, and be alluring behind the footlights, they can swim, ride, converse intelligently on current topics of interest,

and wide scarf, now seen being in fawn, with touches of bright green and orange, but it is unlikely that it will be seen on the golf course. It is possible, that the new attire may replace the more stereotyped sorts of jumper suits with some women.

WEAR HEIRLOOMS WORTH FORTUNE.

Ossi Oswald, Berlin stage star, is shown wearing valuable jewels that have been in her family for generations.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

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LARGE HATS AGAIN.

Reaction against small hats has at last set in—among the milliners at any rate. Whether their customers will take kindly to the innovation remains to be seen. So far this winter every woman has been wearing a variety of little, close-fitting felt, all looking exactly alike, and all looking exactly like every other woman's. Milliners are seeking to do away with the uniformity vogue and reintroduce individuality.

The first completely new large hats have made their appearance. Some of them are of felt in warm colours, deep rose, rich cobalt shades of violet, apple green. The wide brims are ever so slightly turned down over the face and at the back are turned up to fit inside coat collars. The favourite trimming is a narrow swathing of multicoloured ribbons in which gold or silver makes a fleeting appearance. One or two have a crushed bunch of flowers in the fashionable "dead" tones, "bois de rose," soft burgundy—without at least one burgundy kasha dress no woman's wardrobe is complete these days—and mole.

Maiden Voyage, and is a hit her first trip.

Incidentally, her name is Beryl Van Horn, which is news. She's from Philadelphia.

Mary Horan, the intriguing beauty in the upper left hand corner, a Cleveland girl, is a brunnette of a less violent order than Irene Bordoni, and equally potent.

The only blonde in the group is Olive Brady, at the right. But, as you know, one perfect blonde can out-maneuvre a dozen brunettes. And Miss Brady is

expected to uphold the honors of her light-haired sisterhood without any trouble.

Below you see Virginia Bacon, a niece of the late Frank Bacon of "Lightnin" fame

In these sheer materials many beautiful colours are shown, some in delicate flower and fruit shades. Peach, apricot, cyclamen green, tangerine, saffron and Chinese blue are some of the popular tints.

Futuristic designs are more popular than ever before in crepe, scarfs and square shawls. The best of these have the designs printed by hand.

WHY GOLFERS LOST SO MANY BALLS

Los Angeles golfer after his round.

BEAUTY SLEEP.

Sound, restful sleep is one of the most important factors in cultivating beauty and preserving a youthful appearance. No matter what time you may retire—it really doesn't matter in the least whether it is before twelve or after two in the morning—make a point of having at least seven, if possible eight, consecutive hours' sleep.

Remember that to be really restful sleep must always be taken in a well darkened room and under no circumstances should one ever wake in a bright light.

Try, if possible, to sleep on the back. The woman who sleeps on one side will always find that her face will be more wrinkled on the side upon which she sleeps than on the other.

If the hours you spend in sleep are to be real beautifiers, you must learn to relax both mentally and physically. If you take your little worries and troubles to bed with you, you will rise with more lines and wrinkles than you had the night before. Make the mind a blank, as nearly as possible before sleep; stretch out the limbs and relax every muscle. If you find sleep difficult to come, take a cup of camomile tea just before retiring. It is wonderful for soothing the nerves and inducing sleep, besides being a very real complexion beautifier.

NEW & CHARMING BEDSTEAD.

Novelty and charm combine in a most attractive manner in the newest type of bedstead. The simple, but well constructed framework is made of oak. The head and foot are then covered with a tight-fitting cover of chintz in soft colourings. The covers are well stretched and outlined with bright metal studs and in the centre of each is an oval medallion depicting a country scene.

The chintz is glazed, so keeps its freshness indefinitely, and the bed is very much in the picture. In a room where cottage or old-fashioned effects are sought after

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

SARDINE TOAST.
Required: 4 sardines, 2 teaspoonsfuls of tomato chutney, or sauce, salt, cayenne, 2 eggs, 1 oz. of margarine, toast.

Remove the skin and bones from the sardines and break them up small; mix them with the tomato sauce. Beat up the eggs and put them into a pan with the margarine and the rest of the ingredients. Stir with a wooden spoon over a low heat until the mixture thickens. Put on to small squares of buttered toast and serve at once.



This frock is of silver cloth studded with rhinestones and tiny mirrors. The bodice is moulded slightly, and the skirt has a youthful flare. The panel train is faced with jade green, repeating the touch of color in the bodice.

LOOSE COVER LORE.

When introducing colour into rooms with cushions and slip covers great care must be exercised that the new element harmonises with the old. A few helpful suggestions for colour combinations are given here.

With tan or buff walls and brown rugs, loose covers and cushions may introduce sapphire blue, dull old rose, tan, and a touch of black.

With grey walls and taupe rugs, covers and cushion s may be of vivid rose, dull pink, old blue, and black, with touches of turquoise blue.

With green wallpaper and rugs with brown or green predominating, tan, brown, old rose, black, and pink lend the desired touch of warmth and colour.

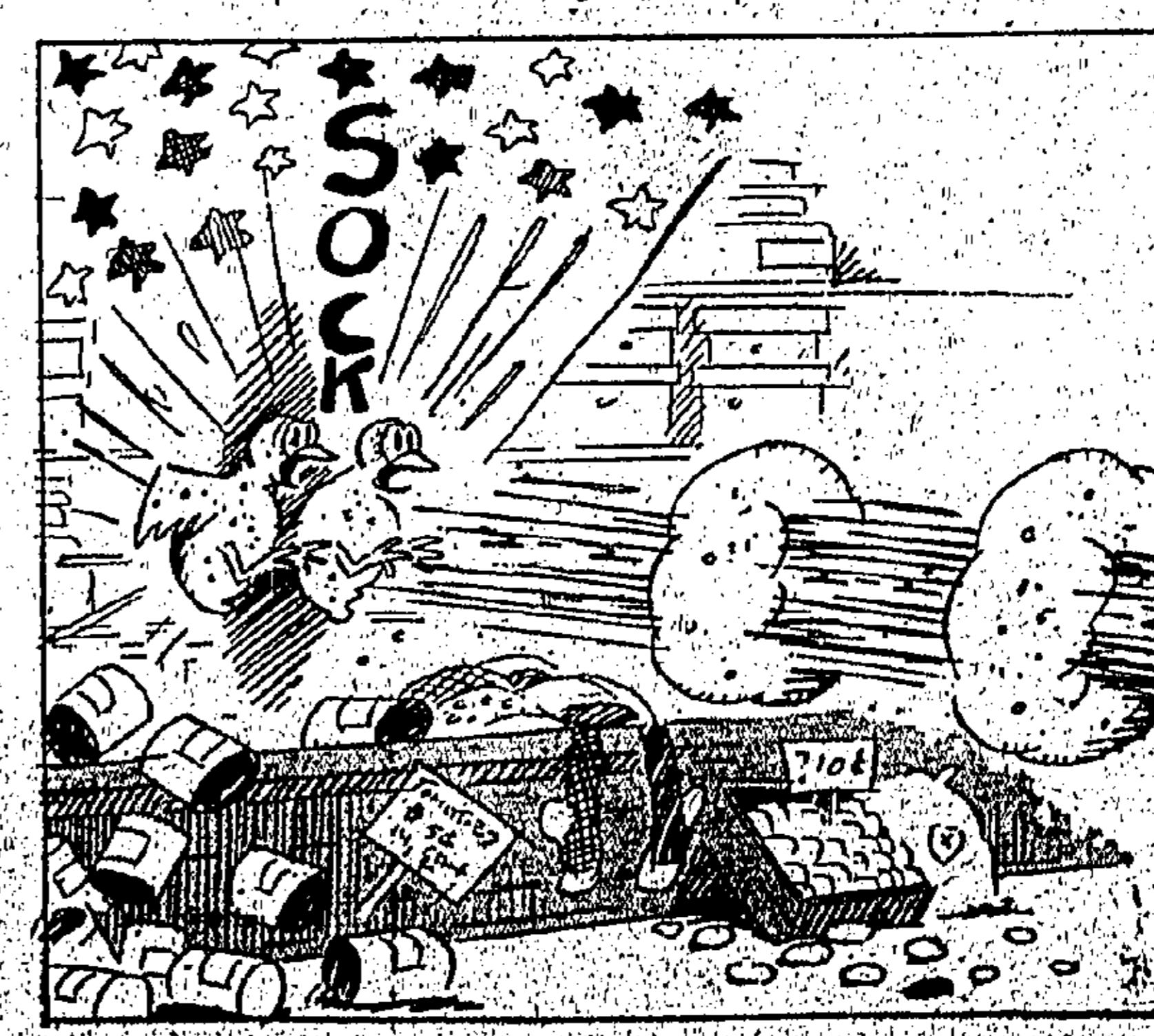
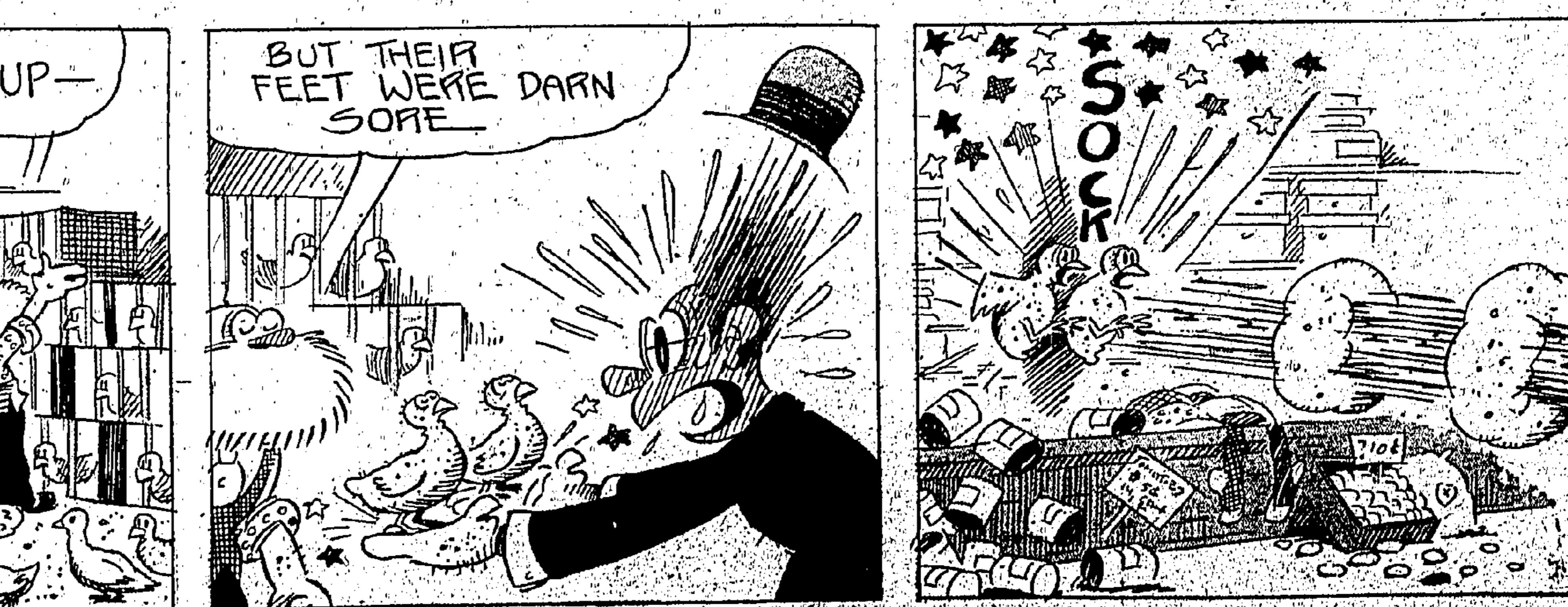
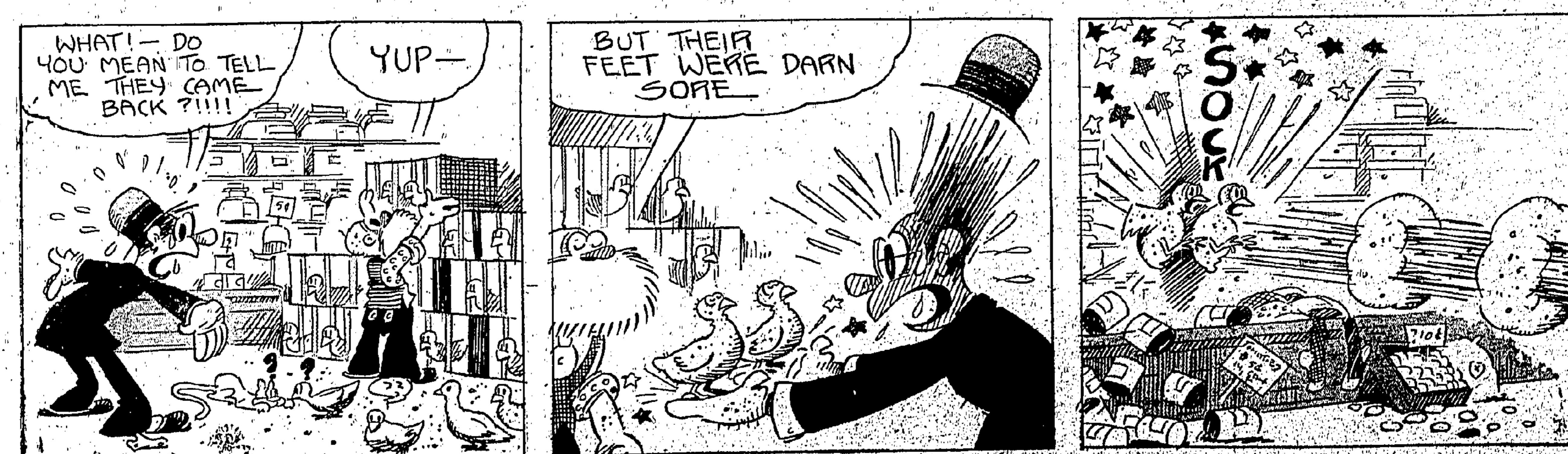
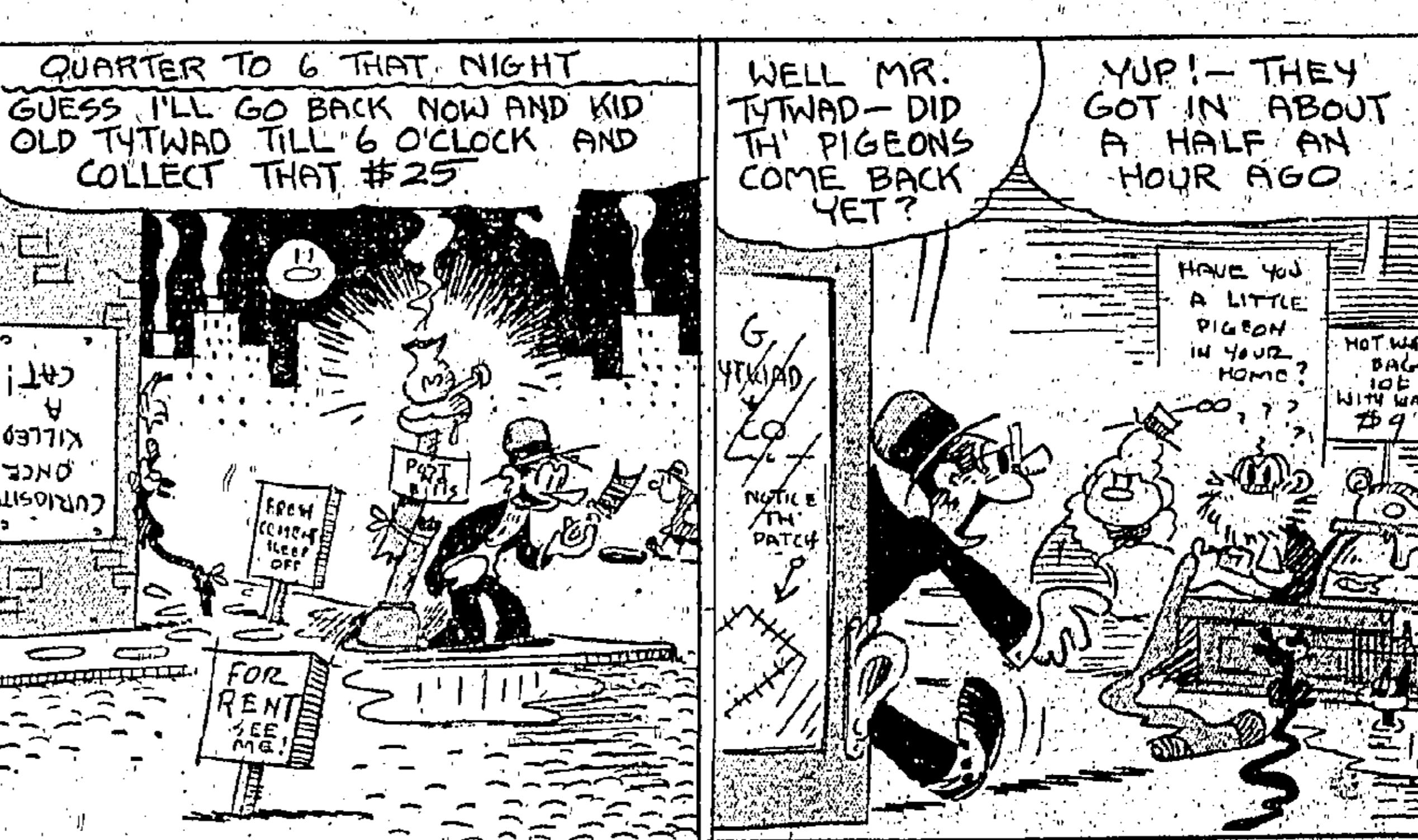
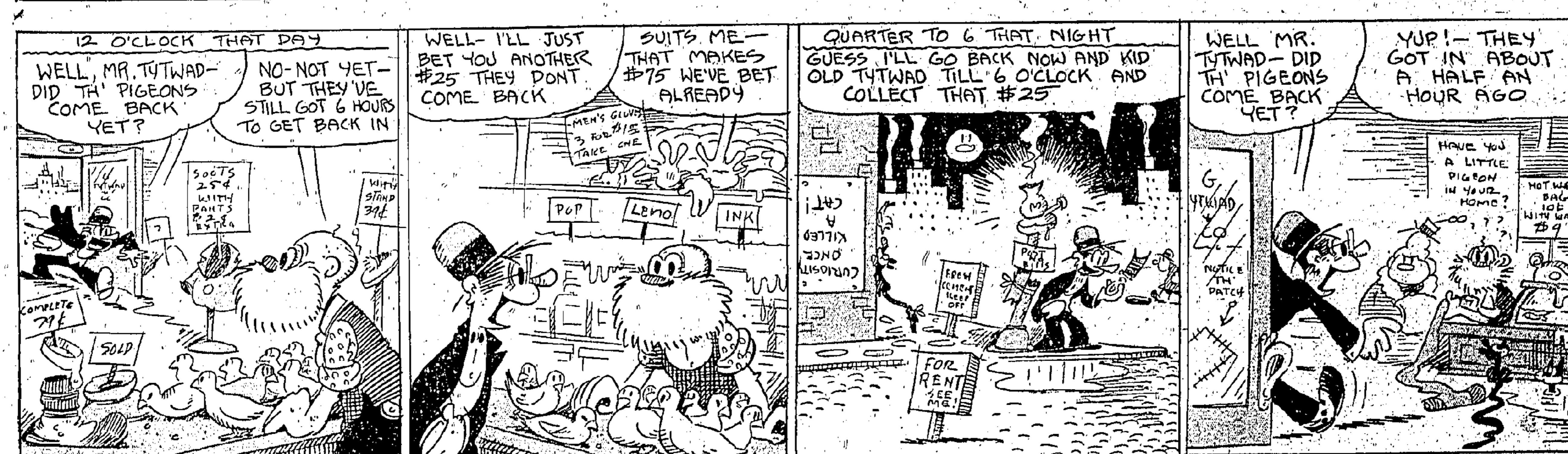
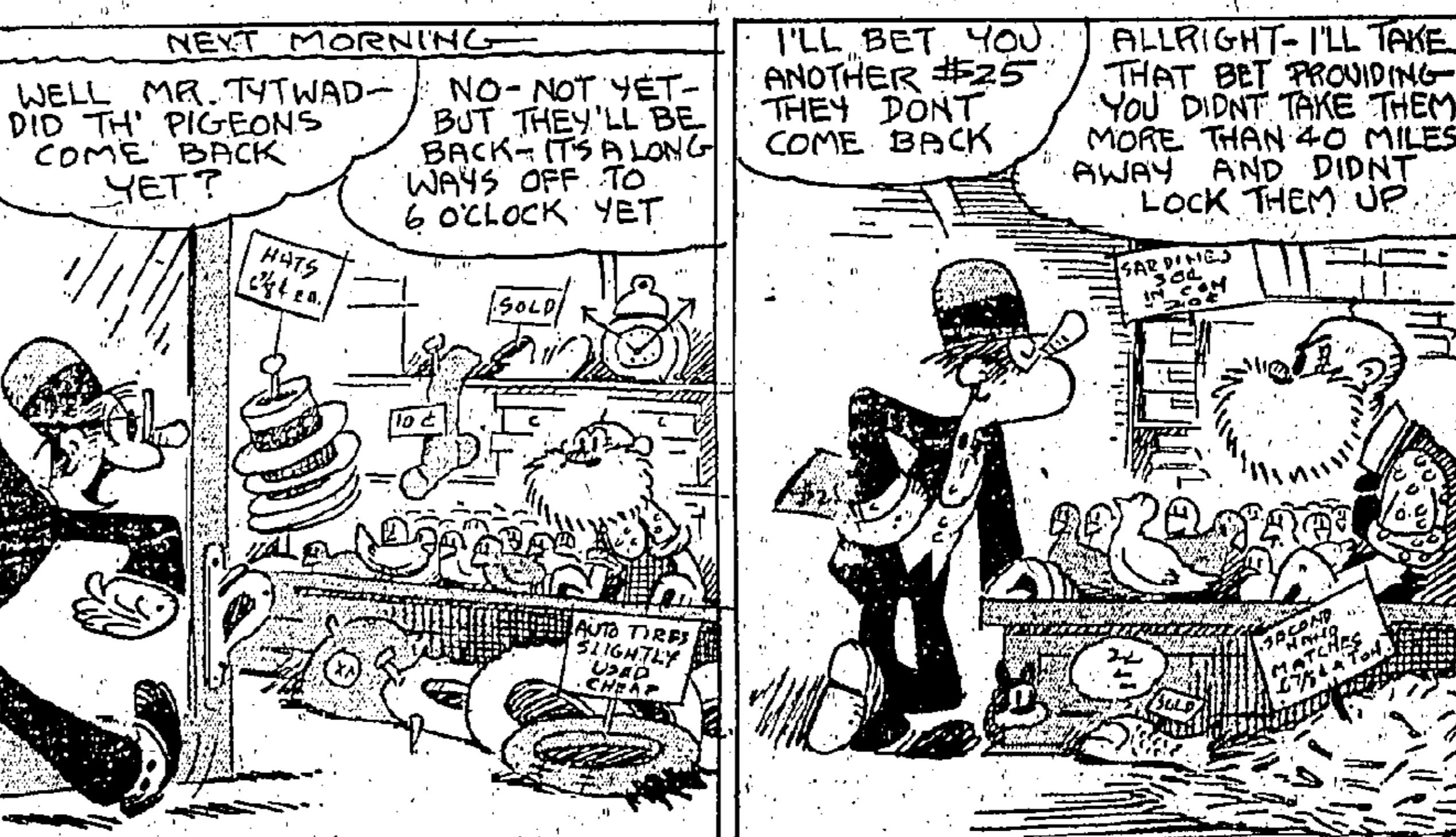
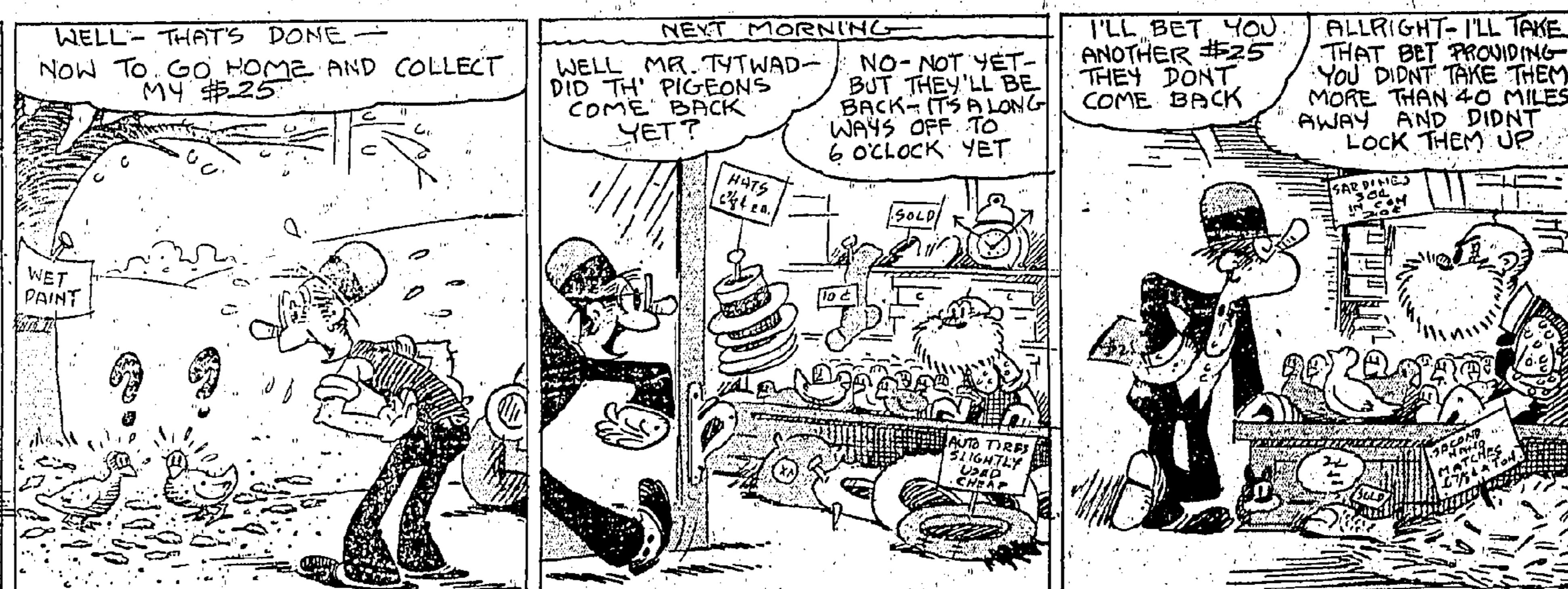
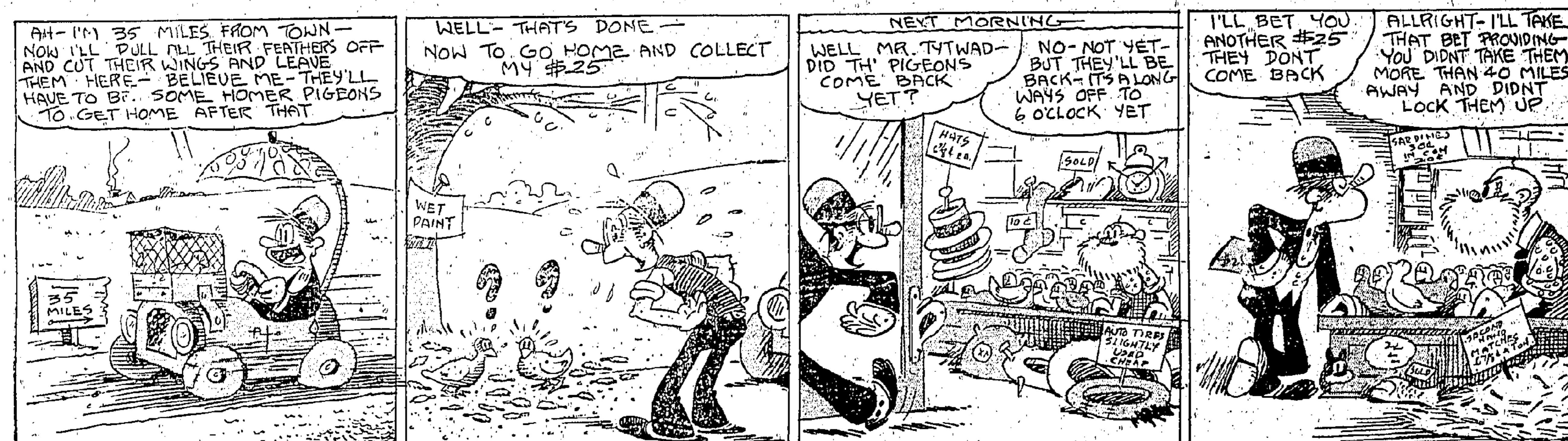
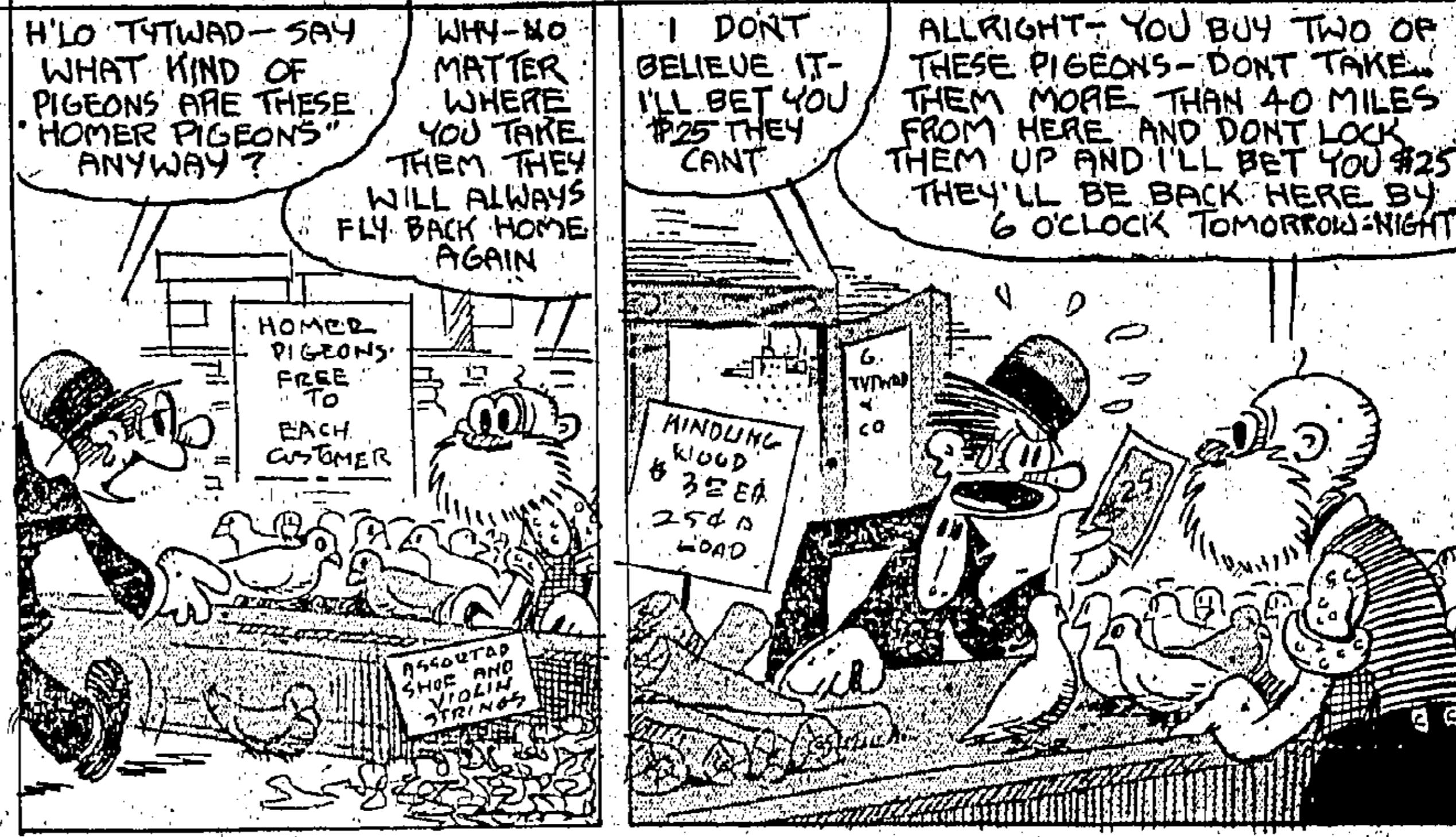
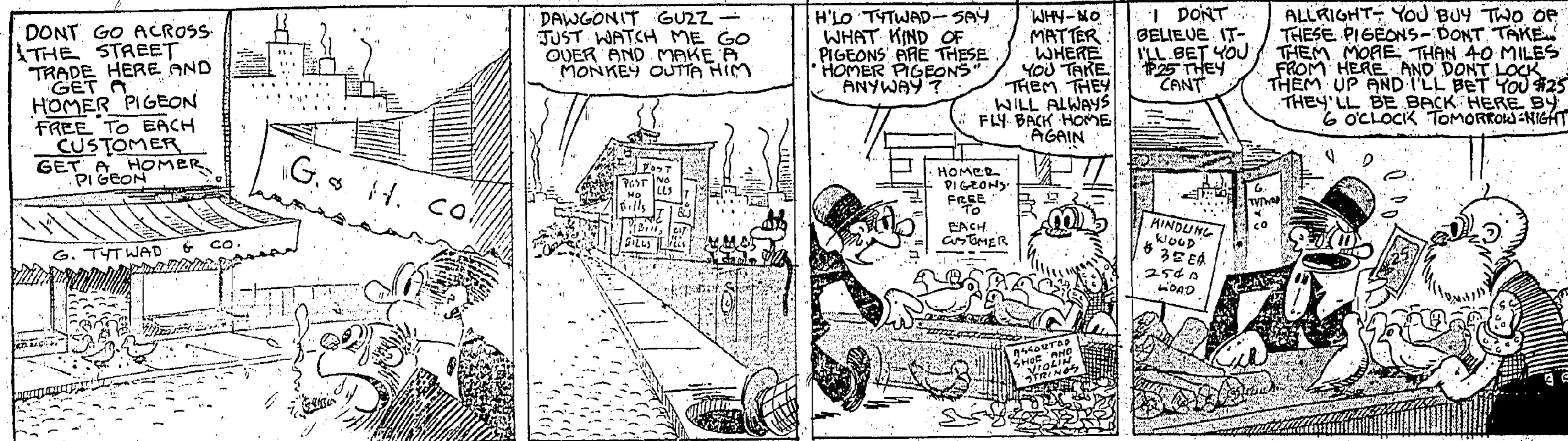
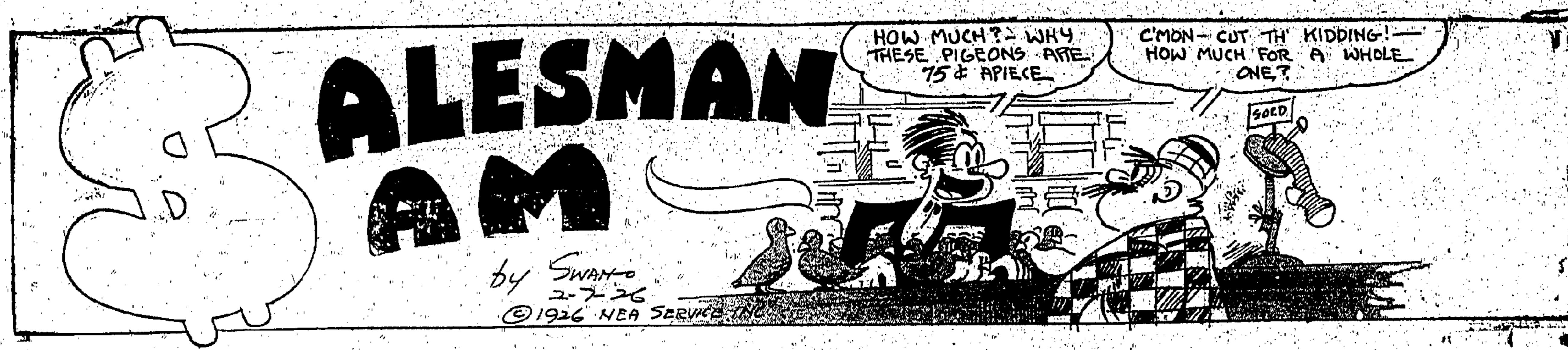
With blue walls and blue rugs yellow and black should predominate.

Choose materials that are bright and gay, but do not pin faith to a light background. People have no need to feel conscious when resting on covers with a dark background. Moreover, these reach the end of the summer in a respectable condition.

If there is much furniture in the room do not have loose covers all of the same material, or made in the same style. If the room is to be restful a few chairs covered in plain material and the others in chintz are very necessary.

SPRING COLOURS.

As the styles for early spring are brought out, some delightful models are shown in new cottons and silk muslins. There are pretty stripes, checks and open "basket" weaves and fancy patterns of the weight of museline do sole. Some of the prominent shops are reviving interest in the fresh, dainty Irish dimities. A quaint, inviting "nightie" of white Irish dimity in a small check is trimmed with Irish lace run with lavender taffeta ribbon. Some sweet little step-ins are made of square mesh open-check muslin of silk and cotton, in touch of color in the bodice.



INTER-VARSITY ATHLETICS.

CAMBRIDGE BEATS OXFORD.

London, March 19.
At the Queen's Club, in the Annual Inter-Varsity athletics, Cambridge beat Oxford by eight events to three.—Reuters.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MEETING LAST NIGHT.

[BY "WANDERER."]

There have been numerous cases within the writer's knowledge of ineligible players turning out in recent League games, though this has been confined to the junior division of the League.

At a meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association held last evening action was taken in respect of the St. Joseph's College team and the Club de Recreio. St. Joseph's were fined \$10 for playing an ineligible man, and the Recreio were fined \$5 for a similar infringement of the rules of the Association.

Mauricio, the player concerned in the second case, was a registered player for St. Joseph's when he turned out for the Club de Recreio, and he was fined \$2 by the Association.

The semi-finals of the Hongkong F.A. Senior Shield Competition were fixed for March 27th. Kowloon and the Police will play at Sookunpoo at 4.30, and the Surreys and the Club de Recreio will meet on the Club ground at the same time.

The final of the *Sunday Herald* International Charity Cup will be played at the Club ground on Good Friday afternoon.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

CLUB "A" v. UNIVERSITY "B."

This game was played at King's Park, Kowloon, last evening, the result being a runaway victory for the Club by seven goals to nil. The University had rather a weakened team owing to other calls on the men, but they played well throughout, despite the heavy score against them, and were unlucky not to score. The Club afterwards showed much better combination than of late and were well led by Lawrence at centre-forward. Plummer also played well at inside-left and Ramsay was very safe at back.

Lawrence opened the scoring with a hard drive in the first five minutes, Fitzgerald adding a second after a good shot by Plummer had hit the post. The third was registered by Plummer, and at half-time the Club led by three to nil. In the second half, the Club added four more, the scorers being Lawrence (2), Plummer and Saunderson.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

A VISIT FROM SHANGHAI PORTUGUESE.

Matches Fixed for Easter Holidays.

Hongkong Portuguese will shortly receive a visit from their countrymen in Shanghai in return for the local Portuguese footballers' recent tour in the Northern port. It is hoped to arrange three matches, one of which will be the Interport between Hongkong and Shanghai.

The Shanghai Portuguese will arrive on the P. & O. s.s. Morea on April 2nd, and on the following day, Saturday, will appear against a representative Hongkong team, the match being timed to start at 4 p.m. On Monday, the 5th, a team representing Portugal will probably play the Rest of the Colony, whilst on the following Wednesday, Portugal will meet South China.

The Hongkong Football Club have kindly given permission for all the matches to be played on their ground at Happy Valley.

THE FANLING HOUNDS.

WEEK-END MEETS.

The Fanling Hounds will meet at the Fanling cross roads at 8 o'clock this afternoon and at Mr. Potts' bungalow at 10.45 on Sunday morning.

INDO-CHINESE AFFAIRS.

A SOCIALIST GOVERNOR'S RULE.

ing out at the same time the dangers which might conceivably result from immediate action, as for example, the suppression of the existing press censorship.

The situation with which M. Varenne was confronted on taking over the reins of Government, called for the exercise of tact and consideration, and he had occasion to administer reproof to a politician who sought to introduce inter-party politics of a character resembling those in Paris. Attempts to encroach on his prerogatives in administrative and political matters were brushed aside in an emphatic declaration that in that country, he would not admit that there was any other will, any other responsibility, than his own.

This prerogative the new Governor General exercised in the very first instance by issuing a pardon to Phan Boi-chau, condemned to death in *contumaciam* for alleged complicity in revolutionary acts, but whose sentence was later commuted to life servitude, by a Court which sat at Hanoi. Remarkable interest had been displayed in the case ever since it was known that, after a great deal of strategy, the Political Bureau had been enabled to seize him in Shanghai. Phan Boi-chau was a remarkable personality, born in 1857, of a distinguished family in Tonkin, at an early stage in his career he espoused the cause of complete independence for the Annamites, but had to leave the country in a hurry when his activities became troublesome to the authorities. A man versed in literature and endowed with many scholarly attainments, he quickly recognised the necessity for the modernization of Indo-China in a book which he wrote on the subject. In the *Revue Economique d'Extreme Orient*, a French publication, it was indicated in a recent article on the case that for over three decades this man had worked ceaselessly to bring about an abrupt end to French rule in the country, in association with other conspirators in Japan and China, but in view of the great length of time which had elapsed since the extremist acts with which he was imaged had occurred, it was impossible to associate him by documentary or personal evidence with those acts.

The arrest was regarded by the same paper as a political blunder, in that it invited a deal of unwelcome publicity, producing unrest in native minds, and lifting a veil which it were best to have left undisturbed. While lauding the Governor-General for the motives which had prompted him to extend this "gesture of friendship" to the Annamite people, the paper said that "all the same, it were better to have left Phan Boi-chau alone where he was if Shanghai."

How true this had application to the general situation in Indo-China was very soon evidenced in a problem which M. Varenne was called upon to consider immediately after his arrival. The Political Bureau had effected the capture of Phan Boi-chau, who was alleged to be the guiding spirit in various armed attempts to overthrow French rule. Occurring from time to time ever since the conversion of the protectorate for all material purposes into a French colony, these extreme acts had resulted in a tightening up of the restrictions already in force and the deprivation of what little privileges still remained to the natives. Sincere supports of a scheme of Franco-Annamite co-operation, in the country, could not but regard with regret this considerable setback to a closer rapprochement between the two peoples, and deplored the measures which, wisely or unwisely, the authorities had taken in the suppression of revolutionary acts. The position of Indo-China until quite recently resembled those which obtained after the departure of M. Sarraut. Certain reforms drawn up by this liberal-minded Governor General had been left in abeyance, and one of the first posers which greeted M. Varenne immediately on his landing in the country was a native petition, presented through a spokesman, for reform in the matters of education, reduction of compulsory service, liberty of the Roanised native press, freedom of association and congregation, naturalization and status of citizenship, free access to the Courts of Justice for barristers in all cases, and elected bodies and constitutions.

All these matters required careful consideration before M. Varenne could express his views, and very frankly, it is reported, the new Governor General counselled the native spokesman against any "impetuous" haste, pointing

out that the delicate question of the boundary question. Mr. Bell: "It is worse."

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong	\$1,057	sa
Chartered	221	n
Mercantile A. & B.	430	b
Mercantile C.	184	b
P. and Q.	291	n
East Asia	79	b

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins.	\$620	b
China Underwriters	\$1,75	sa
North China	145	n
Unions	825	sa
Yangtze	447	b

Fire Ins.

China Fires	\$165	b
Hongkong Fire	3570	b
Shipping		

Douglas

Douglas	\$38	b
Steamboats	824	b
Tugs	21	b

Indo-Chinas

Indo-Chinas	38	n
Shell Trans.	88/6	b
Star Ferries	65	sa
Waterboats	15	b

Refineries.

China Sugars	\$271	sa
Malabons	339	n

Mining.

Benguet	\$180	b
Kailans	42/6	b
Langkangs	23	b
Shai Explorations	5.00	s

Shanghai Loons

Shanghai Loons	Tls. 7	n
Raubs	50.00	b
Tronobis	61/-	b
Ural Caspians	8/-	n

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves	\$131	sa
Whampoa Docks	621	n
Hongkong Docks	Tls. 160	b.x.d.
New Engineering	5	b
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 99	b

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels	\$9.50	b
H.K. Lands	\$631	n
Realty	55	b
Territories	57	n
Humphreys	141	b
Princes Bldgs.	\$100	sa
Rural Lands	57	s

Cottons.

Ewos	Tls. 9.40	b
Orionals	Tls. 3	n
Shai Cottons	Tls. 54	b

Miscellaneous.

Amusements	\$115	b
Canton Ices	\$71	n
Cements	151	b
China Buses	Tls. 101	b
China Lights	321	b
China Prov.	\$8.10	n
Constructions	21	s
Dairy Farms	\$20	sa
Der A. Wing	\$10	n
Macao Electrics	\$40	n
Developments	25	cents
Ropes	\$30	s
Telephones	346	s
Lane Crawfords	\$11	b
Mackintosh	213	b
Peak Trams	161	b
Sinceres	11	s
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Ropes	\$30	s
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Mackintosh	213	b
Peak Trams	161	b
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Taxis	4	s
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EMPEROR OF AUSTRALIA	Apr. 16	Apr. 19	Apr. 22	Apr. 24	May 5
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 17
EMPEROR OF CANADA	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 22	May 31
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Jun. 28	Jun. 31	Jun. 5	Jun. 14	Jun. 30
EMPEROR OF AUSTRALIA	Jun. 11	Jun. 14	Jun. 16	Jun. 19	Jun. 30
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Jun. 24	Jun. 27	Jun. 30	July 3	July 12
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Jul. 12	Jul. 15	Jul. 17		
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Jul. 22	Jul. 25	Jul. 28	July 31	
EMPEROR OF AUSTRALIA	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 14	
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Aug. 19	Aug. 22	Aug. 25	Aug. 28	
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 8	Sept. 11	
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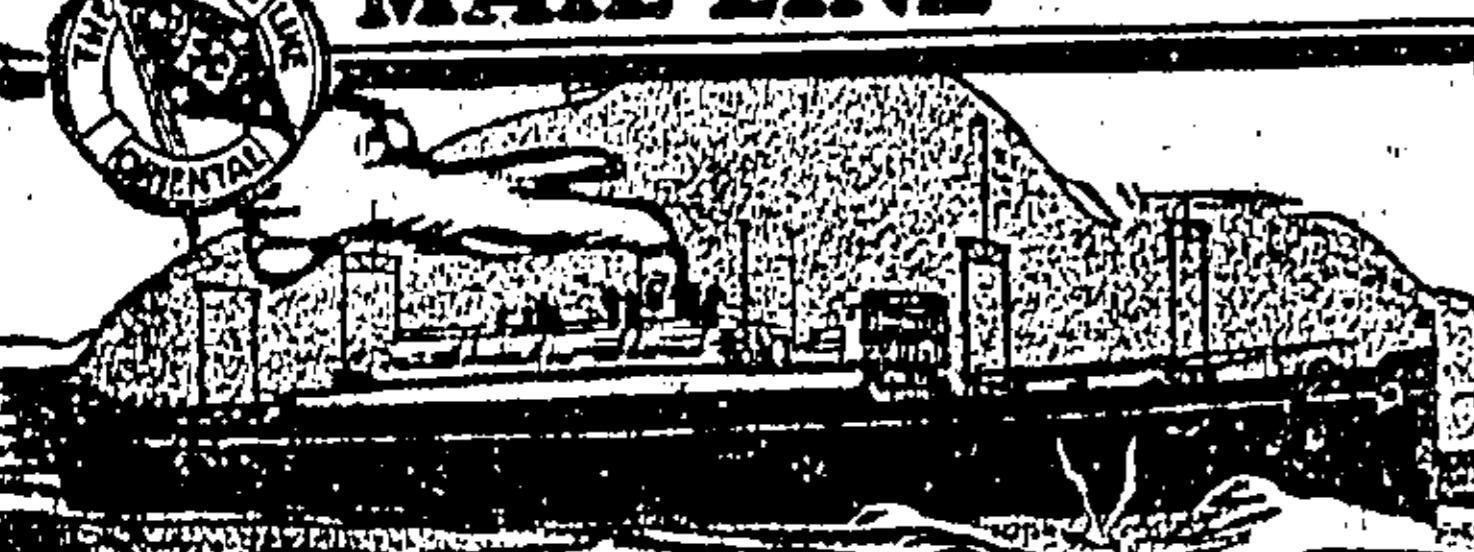
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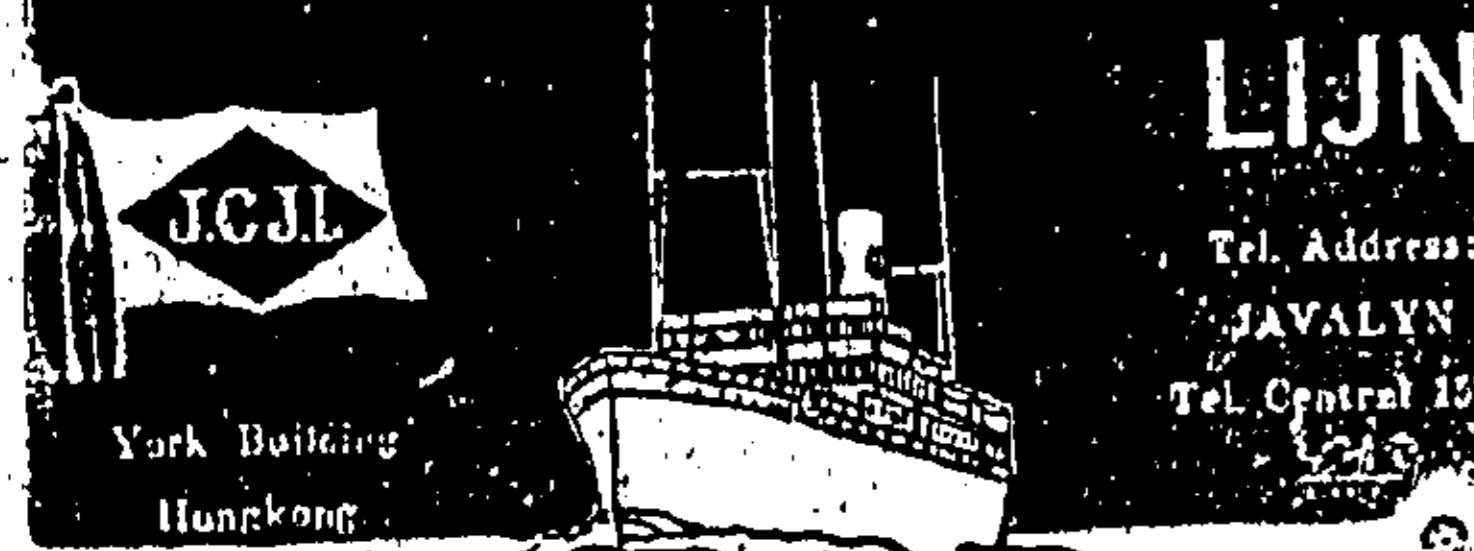
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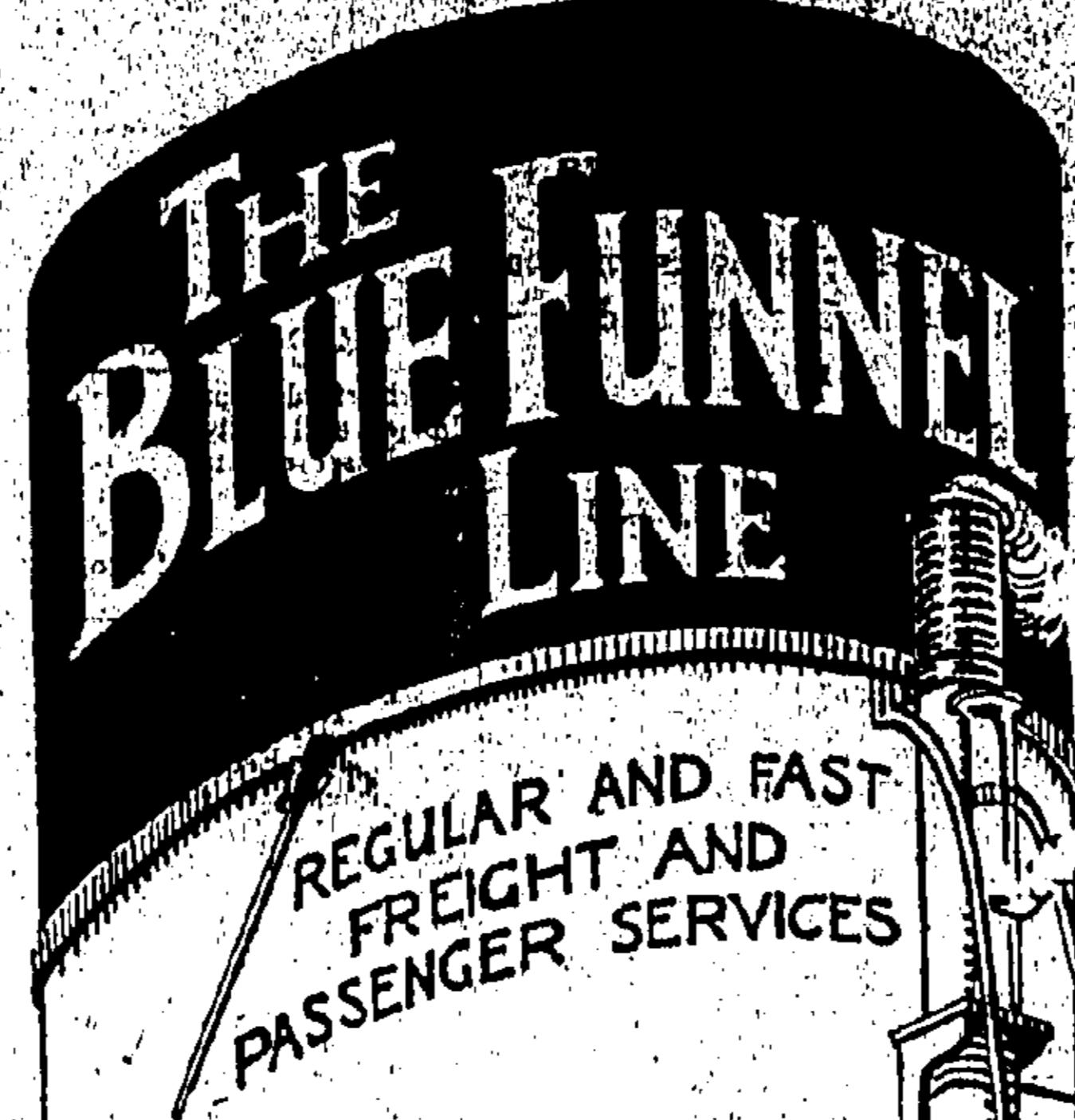
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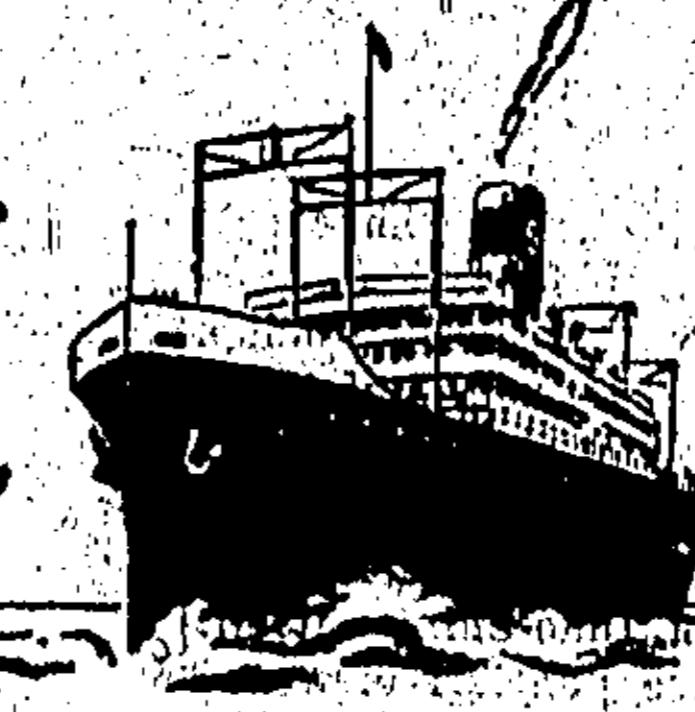
At this week's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge The Theosophical Society, the third Anniversary of the Lodge was celebrated, and an address was given by Mr. H. E. Laneapart on "Religion and its Future." Outlining the work performed by the Lodge during the year under review, the Hon. Secretary said that the success was largely due to the devoted efforts of the President and the various workers of the Lodge. Thanks were also due to a number of fellow visitors who gave their valuable assistance while in Hongkong, namely, Dr. Mary Rocke, Sydney, Australian Representative of the Order of the Star in the East, Mr. Max Wardall, San Francisco, Bishop Irving S. Cooper, Chicago, Miss Flora Menzel, Milwaukee, Sr. I. de Resende, Macao, Mr. M. Browne, Shanghai, Mrs. W. Douglas, Montana, Professor H. van Labberton, Tokyo, Mr. N. Cassell Decatur, and others. Altogether 107 meetings were held, 48 of which were lectures to the public. The membership increased steadily throughout the year, exceeding last year's increase, when the membership had doubled. The library had been increased; amongst other donors the Lodge President presented a valuable collection of books on Theosophy, Comparative Religion, Philosophy and Occult Science. A large amount of books were ordered by the Lodge, for the library and also for members and friends. Several special collections of Theosophical books in English were presented by the Lodge to local institutions and associations. The China Publication Fund in Shanghai published a further number of Theosophical books in Chinese and several thousand of these were distributed in Hongkong and outports. The Lodge President, Mr. M. Manuk, had been appointed Representative for all the eight Theosophical Lodges in China, at the Theosophical World Conference at Adyar, attended by over three thousand delegates representing almost all the nations and countries of the world. While at Adyar the Lodge President was appointed Presidential Agent for China, by Dr. Annie Besant, World President T. S., Hongkong thus becoming the centre for all Theosophical activities in China.

Chinese Section.

To meet the increasing demand, a Chinese Section was formally opened, and public lectures are now given also in the Chinese language, every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. Other new introductions were a Speaker's Training Class in English, held every week, and weekly meetings of the Order of the Star in the East, whose aim is to spread the knowledge and to actuality in the outer world, as they were ever one for the spiritual understanding of the mystic. It is the spread of mysticism in all religions that will make them know themselves as one, as serving the One and Only God, and thus is the world becoming ready to know the World Teacher Who will be soon amongst us.

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JAPAN'S TRADE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY CABLE.

The Japanese Consulate-General in Hongkong sends us the following commercial news from Japan received by cable yesterday:—

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

The fall in the New York Market and the gradual increase of Imports has had some depressing effect, but the tone of the market is expected to take a more favourable turn.

FOREIGN TRADE.

Foreign Trade of Japan during last month:—

Value of Exports 160,000,000 yen

Value of Imports 243,000,000 yen

Excess of Imports 83,000,000 yen

Trade of Japan with China during last month:—

Value of Exports 48,000,000 yen

Value of Imports 23,000,000 yen

Excess of Exports 25,000,000 yen

EXCHANGE.

The Speculative buying of yen abroad has abated. The market is dull.

Rates of Exchange quoted by the Yokohama Specie Bank, Tokyo, on the 10th of this month: on New York (telegraphic transfer), \$45; on London (telegraphic transfer), £s. 10.3-16d.

Money Market remains inactive. Bank of Japan Notes in circulation on the 10th of this month: £1,117,000,000 yen, being 60,000,000 yen under the maximum amount.

Amount of Advances by the Bank of Japan on the 10th of this month: 283,000,000 yen.

Interest-rate of overnight Call Loan in Tokyo money market at 1 sen 4 rin per Y100 per diem, i.e., 5.11 per cent. p.a.

Investment Debenture issues are expected to appear in the market.

Proposed Capital of Industrial Promotions and Expansions during the last month according to the returns of the Bank of Japan: £30,000,000 yen.

Amounts of Banks and Stocks

issued during last month according to the returns of the Hypothecary Bank of Japan: 66,000,000 yen.

Stock Market still remains inactive.

Quotation on the Tokyo Stock Exchange of the new shares in Kanegafuchi Spinning Company for future delivery on the 10th of this month: 147 yen 80 sen.

MERCHANDISE.

Though the prices of both silk and cotton yard declined the market is expected to steadily improve.

Quantities of Raw Silk exported during the last month from Yokohama and Kobe: 25,400 bales.

Output of Cotton Yarns during the last month: 214,000 bales (of 40 bundles), according to the returns by the Japan Spinners' Association.

Quantities of Cotton Yarns exported during the last month: 11,000 bales (of 40 bundles), according to the returns by the Japan Cotton Yarn and Cloth Exporters' Guild.

Quotation of the Cotton Yarn Standard for future delivery on Osaka Merchandise Exchange on the 10th of this month: 269 yen.

Quantity of Cotton Goods exported during January 74: during February 86 million yards, according to the returns by the Japan Cotton Yarn and Cloth Exporters' Guild.

Amount of Bills cleared throughout the country during the month before last: 7,027,000,000 yen.

Merchandise in Stock throughout the country at the end of the month before last: 617,000,000 yen.

CHARTER MARKET.

Pacific, weak; Australia, anticipating the revision of the Import Tariff, shows activity; South Seas and South China, steady.

Record business and profits during 1925 are announced by Messrs. Goffridge and Co., Ltd. After the deduction of all salaries and making ample provision for depreciation, but excluding income tax, the net profit is £504,160. Of this sum £45,000 is reserved for income tax, £25,000 for depreciation of fixtures, £25,000 for writing down investments, £30,000 for writing down leaseholds, and £50,000 is added to the reserve fund. It is proposed to pay a dividend on Ordinary shares of 15 per cent, free of income tax. After allowing for certain other reservations, the amount to be carried forward is £137,995.

FRENCH TRADE.

ADVANCING PRICES AND WAGES

Paris, Feb. 13.—Rising prices continue to be the feature in all branches of business in France. The wholesale index for the end of January shows an increase of only one point over that for the end of December, in harmony with the comparative stability of the exchanges during the first month of the year. But the retail price index in Paris, comprising thirteen articles of prime necessity, has climbed from 493 to 490 (basis 100 in July, 1914), reflecting its classic tendency to follow at its own slow pace the movement of wholesale prices. In all daily transactions there is a very noticeable modification of prices as old stocks become exhausted and new ones have to be constituted.

As the financial debate drags on in Parliament, and the exchanges tend rather to weaken than strengthen, there is a growing disposition to consider sterling at 130 as a permanent working basis. From this it follows that manufacturers the more readily consent to wage increases and at the same time put up the prices of their products. For instance, the Normandy spinners have granted a 5 per cent. increase to their employees, and the price of yarn has gone up. Further, an increase of 10 francs in the price per ton of reparations coke is entailing an increase in the prices of phosphorus and hematite pig iron. Advancing prices, coupled with the recent fresh weakening of the franc on the exchanges, seem to be stimulating buyers at home to renewed demands, but in cases like that of the Roubaix-Tourcoing cotton yarn spinners, who have enough orders on their books to keep them busy for six months, fresh orders are hard to place and are accepted only upon guarantees against further advances of wages and sterling rates.

Of course the export trade remains good, but unless the franc proceeds further on the downward track manufacturers will ere long begin to feel the effects of the increasing costs of foreign raw materials and home wages, not to mention higher taxes.

There is also the question of working capital. Certain decisions taken painfully by the Chamber, in the course of the confused debate on financial reform, tend to renew the flight of savings of all kinds across the frontier and to postpone the day when it will again be possible to find public response to bond offerings. In the meantime companies must take the choice between issuing further stock or adding to their short-term loans from the banks.

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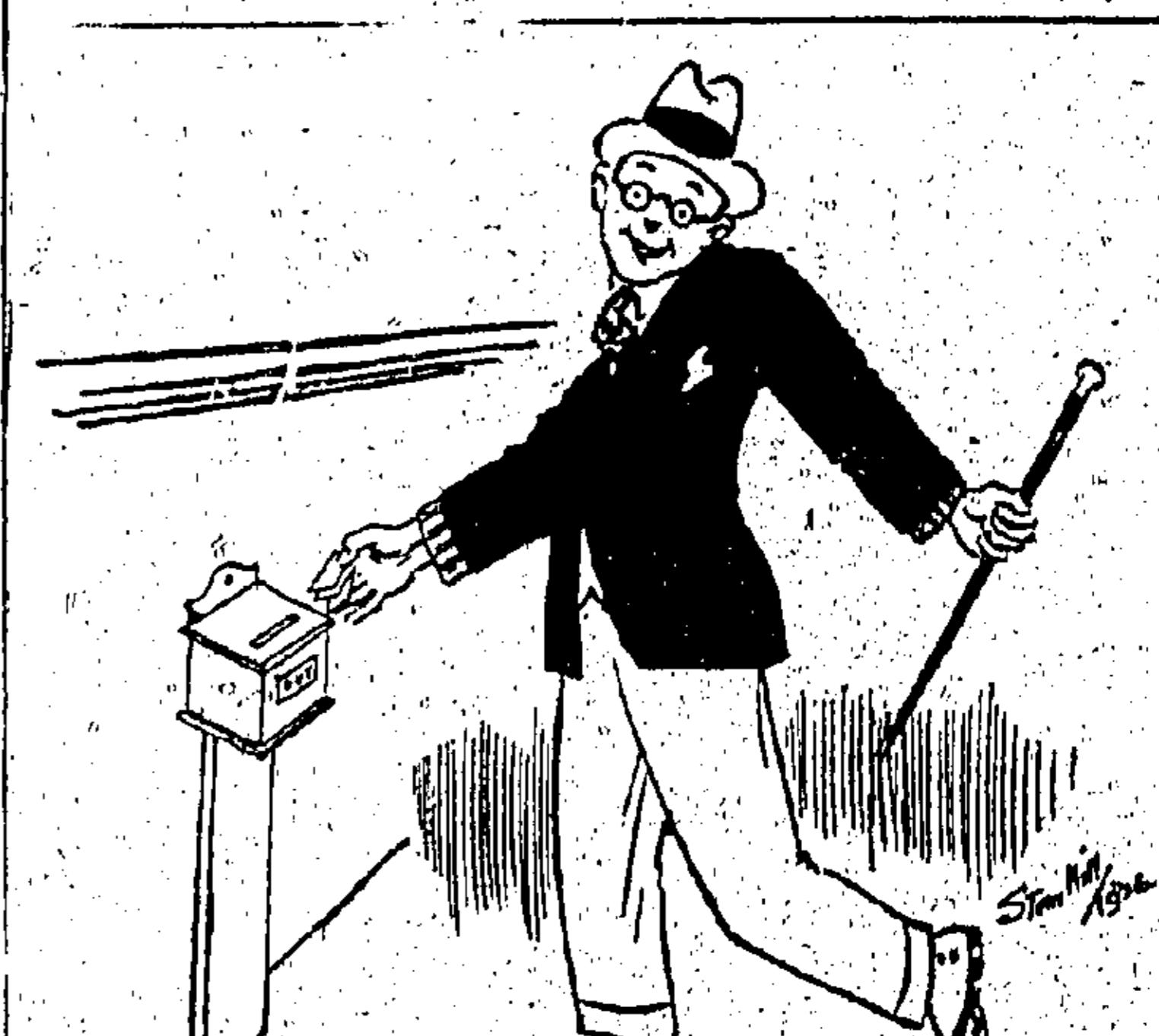
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